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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,  
2   TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2005 BEGINS ON PAGE 85. SUMMARY OF  
3   RECONVENED OPEN SESSION, TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2005 BEGINS ON  
4   PAGE 89.]

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8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AUGUST 30, 2005 MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES  
9   COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. FIRST, WE'LL BE LED IN  
10   PRAYER BY THE REVEREND WALPOLA PIYANANDA, DHARMA VIJAYA  
11   BUDDHIST VIHARA, FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR PLEDGE OF  
12   ALLEGIANCE WILL BE BY JOSE QUINTEROS, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE  
13   LA PUENTE POST NUMBER 75 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. SO IF THE  
14   AUDIENCE WOULD PLEASE RISE. PASTOR?

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16   **THE REVEREND WALPOLA PIYANANDA:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS,  
17   FRIENDS, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR YVONNE  
18   BURKE FOR INVITING ME TO GIVE THIS INVOCATION. FOR THE  
19   WELLBEING OF A COMMUNITY, WE TAUGHT THESE 7 PRACTICES TO THE  
20   LEADERS: 1, GATHER TOGETHER FOR DISCUSSION FREQUENTLY; 2,  
21   MEETING IN HARMONY AND UNITY, DEPARTING HARMONY AND UNITY AND  
22   WORK IN HARMONY AND UNITY; 3, RESPECT AND FOLLOW ALL LAWS OR,  
23   IF A LAW IS FOUND TO BE INCORRECT, WORK TO CHANGE IT IN LAWFUL  
24   MANNER; 4, RESPECT ALL, LISTEN TO WORTHY LEADERS, BOTH  
25   RELIGIOUS AND SECULAR; 5, REFRAIN FROM COMMITTING OR



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1 ADVOCATING VIOLENCE CRIMES, RAPE, DESTROYING OTHERS' PROPERTY  
2 OR KILLING; 6, RESPECT, PROTECT AND MAINTAIN RELIGIOUS PLACES  
3 AND SHRINES; 7, MAINTAIN PERSONAL MINDFULNESS SO THAT, IN THE  
4 FUTURE, GOOD PEOPLE WILL COME TO THEM AND THE GOOD WHO HAVE  
5 ALREADY GATHERED WILL FEEL IT IS WITH THEM. I WOULD LIKE TO  
6 CHANT ANCIENT BLESSINGS FOR THE MEMBERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE PEOPLE OF OUR FAIR COUNTY, STATE,  
8 COUNTRY, ESPECIALLY THOSE AFFECTED BY THE HURRICANE AND THE  
9 WORLD. [ CHANTING ] THE REVEREND WALPOLA PIYANANDA: THESE  
10 VERSES I HAVE JUST CHANTED IN PALI, THE ANCIENT LANGUAGE IN  
11 INDIA. HERE IS THE TRANSLATION: MAY ALL GOOD FORTUNE BE UPON  
12 YOU, MAY ALL DEITIES PROTECT YOU, MAY YOU ALWAYS ENJOY  
13 WELLBEING. MAY ALL YOUR GOOD WISHES AND HOPES COME TRUE. MAY  
14 YOUR ASPIRATIONS BE COMPLETED, FULFILLED LIKE THE MOON ON THE  
15 FULL MOON DAY. MAY THE WEATHER BE ALWAYS TEMPERATE, MAY ALL  
16 GOOD INDIVIDUALS BE SUCCESSFUL. MAY THE GOVERNMENTS BE JUST  
17 AND RIGHTEOUS. MAY THE WORLD BE PROSPEROUS AND PEACEFUL. THANK  
18 YOU SO MUCH.

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20 **JOSE QUINTEROS:** NOW PLEASE FACING OUR FLAG OF OUR GREAT  
21 NATION, JOIN ME IN PLACING YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND  
22 SAYING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.





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1   **SUP. BURKE:** YES, WE WANT TO THANK BANTE WALPOLA PIYANANDA FOR  
2   BEING WITH US. HE IS THE FOUNDER, PRESIDENT AND ABBOT OF  
3   DHARMA VIJAYA BUDDHIST VIHARA IN LOS ANGELES. AT THE AGE OF  
4   12, PIYANANDA WAS ORDAINED AS A NOVICE MONK. HE RECEIVED HIS  
5   FULL ORDINATION AS A MONK IN 1970, AFTER COMPLETING HIS  
6   EDUCATION IN SRI LANKA AND INDIA AND HE RECEIVED HIS M.A. FROM  
7   CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY. IN 1976, PIYANANDA CAME TO THE UNITED  
8   STATES FOR FURTHER STUDIES. HE RECEIVED AN M.A. FROM  
9   NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY IN CHICAGO AND COMPLETED HIS  
10   REQUIREMENTS FOR HIS PH.D. AT U.C.L.A., IN ADDITION TO  
11   RECEIVING A PH.D. FROM THE COLLEGE OF BUDDHIST STUDIES IN LOS  
12   ANGELES. DR. PIYANANDA IS THE AUTHOR OF SAFFRON DAYS IN L.A.,  
13   LOVE AND BUDDHISM, LOVING KINDNESS MEDITATIONS CD AND NUMEROUS  
14   ARTICLES AND WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE HIM HERE WITH US  
15   TODAY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITH US IS JOSE QUINTEROS, WHO WAS A MEMBER--  
18   IS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, POST NUMBER 75 IN LA  
19   PUENTE. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY BETWEEN 1980 AND  
20   1990 AS A SERGEANT, SERVED IN THE THEATRE OF PANAMA, SECOND  
21   ENGINEER REGIMENT, SECOND ARMY DIVISION AND HE WORKS FOR KELLY  
22   HUDD AND HE HAS GRADUATED NOGALES HIGH SCHOOL IN LA PUENTE AND  
23   EDUARDO BUSINESS COLLEGE. SO, JOSE, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
24   COMING DOWN. [ APPLAUSE ]

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. CALL THE AGENDA.

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3    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
4    BOARD, WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 5. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
5    COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D. ON ITEM  
6    1-D, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ITEM 2-  
7    D IS BEFORE YOU.

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9    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
10    SO ORDERED.

11

12    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.  
13    ON ITEM 7, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
14    REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE. ON ITEM  
15    NUMBER 8, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK  
16    CONTINUANCE. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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18    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED.  
19    WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 10 THROUGH  
22    14. ON ITEM NUMBER 10, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

23

24    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
25    SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, ITEM 15.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
5 SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BEACHES AND HARBORS, ITEMS 16 AND 17.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE, ITEM 18.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
15 SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, ITEM 19.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
20 SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS AS NOTED ON  
23 THE GREEN SHEET, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM  
24 BE REFERRED BACK TO THE COMMISSION.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
2   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, ITEM 21.

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6   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
7   SO ORDERED.

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9   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COUNTY COUNSEL, ITEM 22.

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11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
12   SO ORDERED.

13

14   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEMS 23 AND 24.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
17   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 25 AND 26. ON ITEM  
20   NUMBER 25, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
23   SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 27 THROUGH 8-- 38.  
2 ON ITEM NUMBER 27, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE AND, ON ITEM 34,  
3 ALSO HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE AND I'LL READ THE REVISION INTO  
4 THE RECORD ON 34. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR TO  
5 EXECUTE AGREEMENTS-- AGREEMENT WITH A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE  
6 FOUNDATION FOR HOSPICE AND SKILLED NURSING FACILITY SERVICES  
7 FOR H.I.V./A.I.D.S. PATIENTS WHICH SUBSTITUTES FOR A  
8 PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED CONTRACT WITH A DIFFERENT PAYMENT  
9 METHODOLOGY AND EXTENDS THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT ON A MONTH-  
10 TO-MONTH BASIS THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2006, FOR A MAXIMUM  
11 OBLIGATION OF \$1,200,000 OR \$100,000 PER MONTH, EFFECTIVE  
12 MARCH 1, 2005; AND TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH  
13 A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION FOR H.I.V./A.I.D.S. AMBULATORY  
14 OUTPATIENT MEDICAL SERVICES WITH NO INCREASE IN TOTAL MAXIMUM  
15 OBLIGATION TO REALLOCATE FUNDS RETROACTIVELY AMONG CLINIC  
16 SITES FOR THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2004, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28,  
17 2005 AND THAT'S FOR THE RECORD.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT STILL ON HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE?

23

24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE OTHER ONE, 27, WAS A HOLD.

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3    **SUP. BURKE:** OH, ON 27?

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5    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S A HOLD.

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7    **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S AN AMENDMENT FOR THAT. IT'S JUST A SHORT  
8    AMENDMENT.

9

10   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. SO YOU'RE OKAY ON 34, YOU DON'T  
11   NEED TO HOLD IT?

12

13   **SUP. BURKE:** NO, I DON'T NEED TO.

14

15   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. HUMAN RESOURCES, ON ITEM 39, HOLD  
16   FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. INTERNAL SERVICES, ITEM 40.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
19   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

20

21   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MENTAL HEALTH. ON ITEM 41, THE DIRECTOR  
22   REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IS  
23   REQUESTING THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED TO CLOSED SESSION.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE CAN-- WE CAN CONTINUE IT FOR TWO WEEKS BUT  
2   STILL DISCUSS IT IN CLOSED SESSION. IS THAT CORRECT, MR.  
3   FORTNER?

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5   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT IS CORRECT, THAT  
6   IS THE GENERAL SUBJECT OF CLOSED SESSION.

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8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YAROSLAVSKY WILL MOVE. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
9   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE ONE YOU ARE CONTINUING FOR TWO  
10   WEEKS BUT WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. WE'RE  
11   GOING TO DISCUSS IT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND CONTINUE IT FOR  
12   TWO WEEKS.

13

14   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC LIBRARY. ON ITEM 42, THE LIBRARIAN  
15   REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE AND WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM A  
16   MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON THIS.

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18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO IS THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC?

19

20   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT IS MISS JENNY YANG.

21

22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THAT ALL RIGHT TO CONTINUE IT FOR TWO  
23   WEEKS OR DO YOU...? THAT'S FINE? OKAY. THANK YOU. TESTIFY  
24   TODAY? OKAY. SO WE WILL HOLD THE ITEM SO THEY CAN TESTIFY ON  
25   IT AND THEN MOVE TO CONTINUE IT FOR TWO WEEKS. OKAY.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEM 43.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
5 SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS...

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** EXCUSE ME. CAN WE GO-- I THINK THE REQUEST FROM  
10 THE LIBRARIAN WAS ONE WEEK.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WAS IT ONE WEEK? WE'RE GOING TO DO IT AFTER  
13 THEY TESTIFY.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY'RE GOING TO TESTIFY BUT NOT TWO-WEEK  
16 CONTINUANCE, JUST THE ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OH, I'M SORRY. I MEANT ONE WEEK.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES-- I'M SORRY. WE  
23 DID THAT.

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES...



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** WE DID THAT. I'M SORRY. PUBLIC WORKS, 44  
3 THROUGH 63.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
6 SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** REGISTRAR-RECORDER, COUNTY CLERK, ITEMS  
9 64 THROUGH 66. ON ITEM 66, THE RESOLUTION IS AMENDED TO  
10 REFLECT THAT ANY SETTING OF FEES OR INCREASE IN FEES REQUIRES  
11 A PUBLIC HEARING. SO THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.  
14 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SANITATION DISTRICT. ON ITEM 67, HOLD FOR  
17 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SHERIFF, ITEMS 68 THROUGH 72.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
20 SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEMS 73 AND  
23 74.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
2   SO ORDERED.

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4   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 75  
5   THROUGH 77. ON ITEM NUMBER 77, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS  
6   THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED TO CLOSED SESSION.

7

8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. AND, ON THE REMAINDER BY YAROSLAVSKY,  
9   SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10

11   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ON 78, I'LL  
12   READ THIS INTO THE RECORD AND THEN WE'LL HOLD IT AS IT RELATES  
13   TO AGENDA 39. SO WE HAVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5,  
14   PERSONNEL, AND TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
15   CODE TO ADD 11 NEW CLASSES TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION  
16   FOR NEW SAFETY CLASSIFICATION TO ADD, DELETE AND/OR CHANGE  
17   CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN  
18   VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE RESULTS OF CLASSIFICATION  
19   STUDIES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES. SO WE'LL HOLD THAT.  
20   SEPARATE MATTER, ITEM 79 IS BEFORE YOU FOR APPROVAL.

21

22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT  
23   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEMS 80 AND 81, WE'LL HOLD THOSE FOR  
2 A REPORT. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 82 AND 83, WE'LL ALSO HOLD  
3 THOSE FOR HEARING. BUDGET MATTER, ITEM 84, AS NOTED ON THE  
4 AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
5 WEEK.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
8 SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA  
11 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE  
12 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
13 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON  
14 ITEM 85-A, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE  
15 PUBLIC. ITEM 82-B [SIC] IS BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED. SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT  
18 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
21 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH  
22 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE WERE ITEMS YOU WANTED TO VOTE ON OR  
25 HOLD FOR TABULATION?



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** WE CAN TAKE THOSE UP AFTER THE...

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AFTER THE PRESENTATIONS?

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6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AFTER THE PRESENTATIONS, SUPERVISOR.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WHO IS  
9 NOT HERE TODAY, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING  
10 PRESENTATION. THIS MORNING, WE'RE GOING TO WELCOME MEMBERS  
11 FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECOVERY MONTH PLANNING PARTNERS  
12 COMMITTEE, WHO ARE HERE HELPING US TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF  
13 SEPTEMBER AS ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH  
14 THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE BARBARA SMITH,  
15 KEN SHELDON, GILBERT WESSON, JANE WEISS, MARLISA HERON, DIANE  
16 CALDERON AND CANDY CARGELL FULLER, WHO ARE HERE AS MEMBERS OF  
17 THE L.A. COUNTY RECOVERY MONTH PLANNING COMMITTEE. ACCORDING  
18 TO A NATIONAL REPORT, CALIFORNIA HAD THE LARGEST NUMBER OF  
19 PERSONS 12 YEARS AND OLDER WHO NEEDED BUT DID NOT RECEIVE  
20 TREATMENT FOR DRUG OR ALCOHOL ABUSE. ADDICTION TO ALCOHOL AND  
21 DRUGS IS A CHRONIC AND RELAPSING DISEASE BUT TREATMENT DOES  
22 WORK. TREATMENT SAVES MONEY, HELPS RETURN PEOPLE TO WORK,  
23 REDUCES THE BURDEN ON EMERGENCY CARE AND DECREASES CRIME RATES  
24 AND INCARCERATION COSTS. TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31ST,  
25 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, INCORPORATED, WILL BE HOLDING A



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1 RALLY IN OUR COUNTY MALL FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M., A RALLY  
2 FOR RECOVERY IS ITS THEME. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS, LET US MAKE THIS PRESENTATION AS WE DECLARE THE  
4 MONTH OF SEPTEMBER ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH. [  
5 APPLAUSE ]

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7 **KENNETH SHELDON:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS KENNETH  
8 SHELDON AND I'M A RECOVERING INDIVIDUAL. ON BEHALF OF MY  
9 COLLEAGUES HERE, BARBARA SMITH, GILBERT WESSON, JANE WEISS,  
10 MARLESE HERON, DIANE CARDONA, AND CANDY CARGO-FULLER, I WOULD  
11 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORTING US IN  
12 NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH. WE'D ALSO  
13 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR SPONSORING THE RALLY FOR RECOVERY,  
14 WHICH WILL BE TOMORROW FROM 11 TO 2 IN THE MALL AREA. AND THIS  
15 IS A PERSONAL INVITATION FROM ALL OF US FOR ALL SUPERVISORS TO  
16 COME AND MAKE A SPEECH FOR US. LAST YEAR, WE HAD A THOUSAND  
17 PEOPLE THAT SHOWED UP LAST YEAR. WE HAVE GUESTS COMING FROM  
18 WASHINGTON, D.C., SACRAMENTO, AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'D  
19 ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE FROM THE  
20 LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECOVERY MONTH PLANNING PARTNERS COMMITTEE.  
21 THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO PLAN EVENTS LIKE THE RALLY AND LOS  
22 ANGELES DODGER GAME. OUR EVENTS COULDN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT THEM.  
23 AND ALL YOU GUYS GIVE YOURSELVES A BIG HAND. [ CHEERS AND  
24 APPLAUSE ]

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1 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** EVERYBODY UP HERE AND EVERYBODY IN THE  
2 AUDIENCE WHO HAS BEEN PART OF PLANNING FOR THIS IS A SYMBOL OF  
3 HOPE, DESERVES OUR SUPPORT, DESERVES OUR ADMIRATION FOR THE  
4 EFFORTS THAT YOU MAKE EVERY DAY TO OVERCOME THIS TERRIBLY  
5 SERIOUS SET OF CHRONIC DISEASES KNOWN AS SUBSTANCE ABUSE.  
6 THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

7

8 **SPEAKER:** WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO  
9 PLEASE SIGN A SCROLL THAT WILL BE ATTACHED TOMORROW AT THE  
10 RALLY WITH 600 FEET OF VOICES FROM L.A. COUNTY. [ APPLAUSE ] [  
11 APPLAUSE ]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY, ONCE AGAIN, IT'S A PLEASURE TO  
14 REPRESENT A PART OF OUR COUNTY THAT HAS HAD A REAL BIG IMPACT  
15 THAT MANY OF US HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO AS AN INFANT GROWING UP  
16 AND THIS IS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF A VERY SPECIAL FACILITY  
17 AND PLACE AND THAT'S DISNEYLAND AND WELCOMING HERE ARE TWO  
18 VERY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS FROM THE DISNEY CORPORATION, ANDREA  
19 RIVAS, WHO IS THE 2005 RESORT AMBASSADOR AND THE WORLD'S MOST  
20 FAMOUS CHARACTER AND CHIEF HOST TO DISNEYLAND THEME PARK,  
21 MICKEY MOUSE! [ CHEERS AND APPLAUSE ]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS YOU KNOW, FOR THE PAST 50 SUMMERS, THE  
24 GATES OF DISNEYLAND HAVE BEEN OPEN AND THEY OPENED ON JULY  
25 17TH, 1955, WITH MANY PARADES AND FIREWORKS, MICKEY AND MINNIE



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1 PLAYING HOST TO PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. OVER THE  
2 YEARS, DISNEYLAND HAS ACQUIRED THE UNMISTAKABLE  
3 CHARACTERISTICS OF A NATIONAL INSTITUTION AND HAS LEFT A VERY  
4 LARGE IMPRINT ON AMERICAN CULTURE. WALT DISNEY'S CREATION OF  
5 DISNEYLAND IS TRULY ONE OF THE GREATEST ENTERTAINMENT  
6 ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE 20TH CENTURY, LAUNCHING THE THEME PARK  
7 INDUSTRY AND TIMELESS TRADITIONS THAT MILLIONS OF PEOPLE HAVE  
8 PASSED FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION. AND THE BOARD HAS  
9 DECLARED THIS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF WALT DISNEY DAY IN LOS  
10 ANGELES COUNTY AND WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION ON  
11 BEHALF OF THE 10.2 MILLION PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTY AND I KNOW MY  
12 TWO LITTLE CHILDREN, MICHAEL AND MARY, WILL BE THERE THIS WEEK  
13 TO ALSO MEET WITH MICKEY AND MINNIE AND THE REST OF THE  
14 CHARACTERS AT DISNEYLAND AND THEY'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD ALL  
15 YEAR. SO WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS. [ ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERS  
16 AND APPLAUSE ]

17

18 **ANDREA RIVAS:** THANK YOU, MR. SUPERVISOR AND THANK YOU, ALL.  
19 THERE IS NO BETTER TIME FOR US TO RECEIVE THIS SPECIAL HONOR  
20 THAN THE YEAR OF OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY. WE ARE TRULY VERY  
21 HONORED THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER US FOR THIS SPECIAL  
22 PROCLAMATION. FOR THE PAST 50 YEARS, WE HAVE TRIED TO BRING  
23 MAGIC TO OUR GUESTS WITHIN THE BERM AND ALSO TAKE IT OUT  
24 WITHIN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY, SO THANK YOU VERY





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1 MUCH FOR THIS SPECIAL HONOR. [ CHEERS AND APPLAUSE ] [  
2 APPLAUSE ] [ CHEERS AND APPLAUSE ]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR KNABE. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE  
5 CONTINUES]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
8 BOARD, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. AS DISNEYLAND AND MICKEY MOUSE  
9 HAS BROUGHT PLEASURE TO MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF CHILDREN FOR  
10 THE LAST 50 YEARS, IT'S MY HONOR TODAY TO PRESENT SOME SCROLLS  
11 TO SOME INDIVIDUALS WHO ALSO HAVE BROUGHT JOY AND HAPPINESS TO  
12 YOUNG PEOPLE THAT ARE ILL WITH CANCER AND OTHER SERIOUS  
13 ILLNESSES. I'D LIKE TO ASK MAXINE BURKHAMMER, JOANN FERRIN AND  
14 ELAINE LISTON, THEY'RE MEMBERS OF THE LOMITA HARBOR CITY  
15 KIWANIS CLUB. TODAY WE ARE HONORING MAXINE, JOANN AND ELAINE  
16 FOR SPENDING OVER 150 HOURS MAKING MORE THAN-- THEY'RE GOING  
17 TO HOLD THEM UP BACK HERE, 100 HAND MADE DOLLS FOR YOUNG  
18 PATIENTS UNDERGOING CANCER TREATMENT, SURGERY AND OTHER  
19 MEDICAL ISSUES AT OUR COUNTY HARBOR UCLA MEDICAL CENTER. THESE  
20 12" DOLLS ARE DRESSED IN HOMEMADE HOSPITAL GOWNS AND CAPS AND  
21 GIVE COMFORT AND UNDERSTANDING TO THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. I  
22 MIGHT ADD THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO DECORATE THE FACES LIKE THEY  
23 WANT. IN MANY CASES, THEY WERE TELLING ME THAT THE CHILDREN  
24 WILL USE THE INJECTIONS OF CHEMO AND STUFF ON THEIR DOLLS LIKE  
25 THEY'RE GETTING IT. IT'S A VERY SPECIAL THING. THEY BRING



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1 SMILES TO THE FAMILIES OF THESE YOUNG KIDS. MAXINE, JOANN AND  
2 ELAINE ALSO PLAN TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL, IT SAYS HERE A HUNDRED  
3 DOLLS BUT I THINK IT'S ABOUT 400 MORE DOLLS BY THE END OF THE  
4 YEAR. SO, ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD,  
5 WE WANT TO THANK THESE THREE VERY SPECIAL WOMEN FOR THIS GREAT  
6 PROJECT, IT'S A PART OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL BUT SOMEBODY HAS  
7 TO DO THE PROJECT AND YOU'RE SEEING THE THREE STALWARTS HERE  
8 THAT HAVE BROUGHT JOYS AND SMILES TO SOME VERY SERIOUSLY ILL  
9 YOUNG PEOPLE. SO WE HAVE A HEARTFELT THANKS FOR A JOB WELL  
10 DONE. [ APPLAUSE ]

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR ACKNOWLEDGING US. AND IT'S BEEN A GREAT  
13 JOY TO SEE THE LOOK ON THE CHILDREN'S FACES WHEN WE TOOK THE  
14 DOLLS IN AND IT JUST GIVES US SOMETHING TO DO TO HELP. [  
15 APPLAUSE ]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY'RE GOING TO PRESENT A DOLL TO EACH OF MY  
18 COLLEAGUES HERE AS WELL, TOO. THANKS AGAIN, LADIES, FOR A JOB  
19 WELL DONE. [ APPLAUSE ]

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD ALSO ADD THAT THESE LADIES INDICATED AS  
22 WELL THAT WAL-MART HAS BEEN A VERY SIGNIFICANT PARTNER IN  
23 THEIR EFFORTS IN PROVIDING ALL THE MATERIALS FOR THESE DOLLS,  
24 SO HEARTFELT THANKS THERE, TOO, AS WELL. AS YOU KNOW, AT THIS  
25 TIME OF YEAR, WE HAVE LABOR DAY COMING UP THIS WEEKEND AND



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1 LABOR DAY MEANS THE JERRY LEWIS TELETHON, AND AN EFFORT TO  
2 CONTINUE TO RAISE MONEY FOR A VERY DEBILITATING DISEASE. SO  
3 I'M GOING TO ASK JUSTINE MUUF AND CAROLYN TO COME UP AND JOIN  
4 ME. MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY REFERS TO A GROUP OF 43 NEUROMUSCULAR  
5 DISEASES THAT CAUSE GENERALIZED WEAKNESS AND MUSCLE WASTING IN  
6 THOSE WHO ARE AFFECTED. THIS DISABLING DISEASE SHOWS NO  
7 IMPARTIALITY TO ANY ONE GROUP AND AFFECTS EVERYONE, REGARDLESS  
8 OF GENDER, AGE AND RACE. THERE ARE ROUGHLY 40,000 AMERICANS  
9 THAT SUFFER FROM THESE DISEASES AND OVER 6,000 OF THOSE LIVE  
10 RIGHT HERE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY  
11 ASSOCIATION IS A VOLUNTARY HEALTH AGENCY THAT RAISES MONEY FOR  
12 THOSE AFFECTED BY MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY. EVERY YEAR, THE  
13 ASSOCIATION, AS HAS BEEN MENTIONED, RAISES MILLIONS OF DOLLARS  
14 THAT GOES DIRECTLY TO RESEARCH AND TREATMENT IN THE EDUCATION  
15 OF THIS VERY DEBILITATING DISEASE. THE JERRY LEWIS LABOR DAY  
16 TELETHON IS THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISING EVENT  
17 OF THE YEAR AND IS SCHEDULED TO AIR THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER  
18 4TH, AT 6:00 P.M. ON KCAL 9. LAST YEAR'S TELETHON REACHED OVER  
19 60 MILLION VIEWERS IN NORTH AMERICA AND RAISED ALMOST \$60  
20 MILLION NATIONALLY, WITH OVER 4 MILLION IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
21 ALONE. SO THIS YEAR, WE HOPE TO DO EVEN BETTER. SO, ON BEHALF  
22 MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE ARE DECLARING THE WEEK OF AUGUST  
23 28TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3RD AS MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY WEEK  
24 THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [ APPLAUSE ]

25



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1   **JUSTINE MUUF:** ON BEHALF OF THE 6,000 CLIENTS THAT WE SERVE IN  
2   LOS ANGELES, WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THIS PROCLAMATION AND  
3   THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF M.D.A. AND YOUR FUTURE  
4   SUPPORT OF US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6   **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M FINISHED. THANK YOU.

7

8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE TWO  
9   OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS WHO ARE THE CALIFORNIA FINALISTS FOR THE  
10  PRESTIGIOUS PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS  
11  AND SCIENCE TEACHING. FIRST, WE HAVE MARGARET CAGLE, WHO IS A  
12  MATH INSTRUCTOR FROM LAWRENCE GIFTED MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL IN  
13  CHATSWORTH, WHERE SHE HAS TAUGHT SINCE 1993. SHE HOPES TO USE  
14  ANY ATTENTION FROM THIS NOMINATION TO HELP CHANGE THE SOCIETAL  
15  AND POLITICAL NOTIONS ABOUT MATH. AND SHE BELIEVES THAT THE  
16  AWARD ALLOWS THE WINNER TO HAVE THEIR VOICE HEARD, GIVING A  
17  BETTER PLATFORM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEBATE ON EDUCATION. OUR  
18  OTHER HONOREE IS CATHERINE NICOLAS, A SCIENCE INSTRUCTOR AT  
19  RIO NORTE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN CASTAIC. SHE'S ACCOMPANIED BY  
20  RIO NORTE PRINCIPAL, JOHN CINKLE, HER HUSBAND, JOE, AND CATHY  
21  AND HER HUSBAND, GEORGE. SHE HAS BEEN IN THE CLASSROOM FOR 18  
22  YEARS AND HAS SAID THAT TEACHING HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN HER BLOOD.  
23  SHE CREDITS HER OWN HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER AS HER  
24  INSPIRATION. A NATIONAL PANEL OF MATH AND SCIENCE EXPERTS WILL  
25  SELECT UP TO 108 RECIPIENTS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD,



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1 INCLUDING TWO WINNERS FROM EACH STATE. WINNERS WILL BE  
2 NOTIFIED IN THE SPRING AND WILL RECEIVE A \$10,000 AWARD, A  
3 CITATION FROM PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH AND A PAID TRIP TO  
4 WASHINGTON, D.C., WHERE THEY WILL BE RECOGNIZED AT AN AWARDS  
5 PRESENTATION. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE BOTH OF THESE  
6 POSITIVE ROLE MODELS IN THE SUBJECT MATTER THAT IS SO  
7 IMPORTANT FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTRY, MATHEMATICS AND  
8 SCIENCE. MARGARET? [ APPLAUSE ]

9

10 **MARGARET CAGLE:** I WANT TO REITERATE WHAT I HAD STATED THAT WAS  
11 QUOTED HERE, WAS THAT I THINK THERE'S AN ESSENTIAL ASPECT TO  
12 THIS AWARD WHICH IS TO RAISE EVERYONE'S CONSCIOUSNESS ABOUT  
13 MATHEMATICS. WE'RE VERY AWARE OF LITERACY, NOBODY BRAGS ABOUT  
14 BEING ILLITERATE BUT IT'S UNFORTUNATELY WAY TOO COMMON TO HEAR  
15 PEOPLE JOKE OR EVEN BRAG ABOUT BEING MATHEMATICALLY AND  
16 SCIENTIFICALLY INCOMPETENT. AND I THINK THAT NEEDS TO CHANGE  
17 AND IT NEEDS TO CHANGE NOW. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LET ONE MORE  
18 GENERATION SLIP THROUGH. THANK YOU.

19

20 **CATHERINE NICHOLAS:** I AGREE WITH MY COLLEAGUE AND I THANK YOU  
21 VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR, FOR JUST DOING MY JOB, WHAT I LOVE,  
22 TEACHING SCIENCE. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR  
25 COUNTY LEADERS, WHOSE DAUGHTER HAPPENED TO BE A ROSE QUEEN A



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1 FEW YEARS AGO AND AN INTERN IN MY OFFICE. AND THIS MORNING  
2 IT'S IRSHAD-UL-HAQUE, WHO HAS SERVED ON MY APPOINTEE IN THE  
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION FROM DECEMBER  
4 2001 THROUGH JULY 2005. A RESIDENT OF SAN MARINO, HE IS OWNER  
5 OF BETTAM ASSOCIATES, AN INVESTMENT AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT  
6 COMPANY IN PASADENA. HE'S THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE GLENDALE  
7 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, PAST VICE PRESIDENT OF THE GLENDALE  
8 KIWANIS, AFFILIATED WITH THE GLENDALE ADVENTIS MEDICAL CENTER  
9 FOUNDATION, THE GLENDALE FOUNDATION FOR THE RETARDED AND THE  
10 COUNSEL OF PAKISTANI AND AMERICAN AFFAIRS. MEMBERS OF THE L.A.  
11 COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION HAVE PROVIDED VERY  
12 CONSTRUCTIVE ONGOING ADVICE AND SUPPORT TO OUR BOARD TO HELP  
13 SMALL BUSINESSES GROW IN OUR COUNTY. IRSHAD HAS SERVED LOS  
14 ANGELES COUNTY ALSO ON THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD. SO,  
15 IRSHAD, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED  
16 SERVICE AND TO YOUR WIFE, LINDA, WHO ALLOWS YOU TO DONATE SO  
17 MUCH TIME TO OUR COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

18

19 **IRSHAD-UL-HAQUE:** I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU, BOARD OF  
20 SUPERVISORS, TO HONORING ME AND ESPECIALLY I WANT TO THANK  
21 MIKE ANTONOVICH TO GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON SMALL  
22 BUSINESS COMMISSION AND, WITH HIS LEADERSHIP, I THINK THE  
23 COMMISSION IS DOING GREAT AND DOING GOOD WORK. THANKS AGAIN. [  
24 APPLAUSE ]

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE VIRGIL, WHO IS EIGHT WEEKS  
2   OLD AND HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. AND THOSE ON TELEVISION CAN  
3   CALL (562) 728-4644 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE  
4   LITTLE VIRGIL. HE'S GOT SOME COUSINS NAMED HOMER AND FLOYD WHO  
5   WOULD LIKE TO BE ADOPTED AS WELL. SO LITTLE VIRGIL LOOKING FOR  
6   A HOME. THERE WERE SOME TABULATIONS THAT HAD TO BE MADE BEFORE  
7   WE BEGIN THE...

8

9   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE HAVE TWO PUBLIC  
10   HEARING ITEMS AND ONE OF THOSE HAS TABULATIONS, SO WE'LL TAKE  
11   ITEM NUMBER 82 BUT, BEFORE WE DO THAT, I'LL ASK ANYONE WHO  
12   PLANS TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR  
13   RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [ ADMINISTERING OATH ]

14

15   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED. ITEM 82,  
16   HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION TO  
17   INCREASE THE FEES FOR SERVICES CHARGED BY THE REGISTRAR-  
18   RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A DUPLICATE REGULAR  
19   CONFIDENTIAL MARRIAGE LICENSE.

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21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO SPEAK  
22   ON THAT ITEM?

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1 **RICK WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT MATTER WAS CONTINUED  
2 TO THIS WEEK. I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAD SOME  
3 QUESTIONS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. HOLD IT, PUT IT ON HOLD.

6

7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 3, HEARING ON FORMATION  
8 AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FLORENCE AVENUE PROPERTY AND BUSINESS  
9 IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND THE LEVYING OF SPECIAL PROPERTY  
10 BENEFIT ASSESSMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF .0869 CENTS PER BENEFIT  
11 ASSESSMENT UNIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006 TO FUND BUSINESS-  
12 RELATED IMPROVEMENTS, MAINTENANCE AND ACTIVITIES. AND WE HAVE  
13 A JURISDICTIONAL STATEMENT, MR. CHAIRMAN.

14

15 **CORDE KOREA:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS CORDE KOREA. I'M  
16 DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT FOR THE  
17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THE  
18 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE FORMATION OF THE FLORENCE AVENUE PROPERTY  
19 AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND THE LEVYING AND  
20 COLLECTION OF BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE PROPOSED  
21 DISTRICT. THE PROPOSED DISTRICT CONTAINS 120 PROPERTIES AND  
22 INCLUDES FLORENCE AVENUE BETWEEN CENTRAL AVENUE AND-- ON THE  
23 WEST, METRO BLUE LINE ON THE EAST, AND ALONG COMPTON AVENUE  
24 BETWEEN FLORENCE AVENUE ON THE NORTH AND EAST 75TH STREET ON  
25 THE SOUTH. A PETITION BY PROPERTY OWNERS REPRESENTING MORE



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1 THAN 50% OF THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS TO BE LEVIED WAS  
2 SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF THE FORMATION AND ASSESSMENTS. THE  
3 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS WOULD GENERATE APPROXIMATELY 97,705  
4 DOLLARS DURING THE '05/'06 FISCAL YEAR. THE ASSESSMENTS WILL  
5 BE USED TO FUND BUSINESS-RELATED IMPROVEMENTS, MAINTENANCE AND  
6 ACTIVITIES, IMAGE ENHANCEMENT, BUSINESS PROMOTIONS, PHYSICAL  
7 AMENITIES, SUPPLEMENTAL PUBLIC AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL  
8 SERVICES TO BENEFIT THE BUSINESSES IN THE DISTRICT. IN MY  
9 OPINION, THE AREA IN THE PROPOSED DISTRICT WILL BE BENEFITED  
10 BY THE FORMATION AND THE IMPROVEMENTS, SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES  
11 TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD  
12 IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. ALSO PRESENT TODAY IS THE PROJECT  
13 CONSULTANT AND PROJECT ENGINEER WHO CAN ASSIST IN RESPONDING  
14 TO ANY TECHNICAL QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE DID HAVE A COUPLE OF  
17 SPEAKERS TO SIGN UP BUT THEY DON'T WISH TO SPEAK, THEY JUST  
18 WANTED TO INCLUDE THEIR NAME FOR THE RECORD ONLY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT THE-  
23 - IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING,  
24 DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL



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1 LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR  
2 BOARD.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6 **CORDE KOREA:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 39. I  
11 THINK THERE'S SOME PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MR. NIETO, DEBORAH MARTIN AND  
14 LATWASHE DEMMERELLE. AND CHARLES DOOKS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, THE  
17 ITEM THAT I WAS HOLDING ON THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER, I'LL  
18 WITHDRAW MY HOLD AND MOVE APPROVAL.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY...

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** I DO HAVE A QUESTION, THOUGH.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH, THERE'S STILL A QUESTION.

25



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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SORRY.

2

3   **SUP. KNABE:** IS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE 30-  
4   - I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S ANYBODY HERE FROM REGISTRAR-RECORDER  
5   BUT CAN WE STILL HOLD THAT? YOU HAVE PEOPLE UP HERE TO TESTIFY  
6   BUT I WANT TO QUESTION THE ANSWER FROM THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER.  
7   OKAY? SO WE'LL JUST-- CAN WE HOLD IT? OKAY.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST GIVE YOUR NAME BEFORE YOU SPEAK FOR THE  
10   RECORD.

11

12   **ANASTASIA NIETO:** OKAY. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
13   ANASTASIA NIETO. I'M HERE REGARDING THE RECOMMENDATION FOR NEW  
14   CLASSES. I'VE BEEN WITH THE COUNTY FOR NINE YEARS. I'VE BEEN  
15   CODING AT OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER FOR THREE YEARS NOW. I'M  
16   HERE BECAUSE THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE IS PROPOSING A 4-1/2%  
17   INCREASE IN OUR SALARY, WHICH ISN'T GOING TO SOLVE THEIR  
18   RETENTION AND RECRUITMENT PROBLEM. OLIVE VIEW HAS LOST 8 OF  
19   OUR 18 COUNTY MEDICAL RECORDS CODERS WITHIN A TWO-YEAR PERIOD.  
20   THEY'RE ALL CREDENTIALLED CODERS AND THEY'VE GONE OFF TO OTHER  
21   HIGHER-PAYING HOSPITALS. WE'VE ALSO LOST 5-- WE'VE ALSO LOST 5  
22   HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT DIRECTORS, ALL REQUIRED  
23   CREDENTIALS BY J.C.A.H.O. TO MAINTAIN OUR MEDICAL RECORDS  
24   AREAS, WHICH YOU KNOW ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO MAINTAINING A  
25   HOSPITAL. PATIENTS CANNOT BE SEEN WITHOUT OUR MEDICAL RECORDS.



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1 MANY OF THE CODERS ARE WAITING THE OUTCOME TO SEE IF THEY'RE  
2 GOING TO STAY OR NOT WITH THE COUNTY. LIKE I SAID, THERE'S  
3 OTHER HOSPITALS OUT THERE WILLING TO PAY US, YOU KNOW, MORE.  
4 WE'VE BEEN HOLDING OUT FOR TWO YEARS TO SEE WHAT THEY'RE GOING  
5 TO OFFER US. AND I THINK THAT'S ABOUT IT FOR NOW. I'VE MADE MY  
6 POINT. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **DEBRA MARTIN:** HI. MY NAME IS DEBRA MARTIN. I WORK AT HARBOR-  
11 U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER AND I'M A INPATIENT MEDICARE CODER AND  
12 MY JOB TO IS TO GET THE HIGHEST REIMBURSEMENT BACK FOR MY  
13 FACILITY. AS A CODER, I CODE MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS AND SERVICES  
14 AND WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE WE GET THE HIGHEST-PAYING D.R.G. MY  
15 CONCERN IS WITH CONTRACT WORKERS. THEY ARE SITTING BESIDE US  
16 DOING THE SAME TYPE OF WORK AND THEY'RE GETTING PAID OVER \$25  
17 AN HOUR AND WE'RE ONLY GETTING PAID \$16 AN HOUR AND WE HAVE  
18 ALL THIS FORMAL EDUCATION AND SOMETIMES THEY JUST HAVE A  
19 EDUCATION AT THESE FAST-PACED CAREER MEDICAL COLLEGES. THEY  
20 DON'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISSECT A CAT IN ANATOMY AND  
21 PHYSIOLOGY JUST LIKE WE DO AND THAT WAY WE'RE MORE FAMILIAR  
22 WITH THE HUMAN BODY. I'M ALSO CREDENTIALLED, I HAVE MY C.C.S.,  
23 WHICH IS CERTIFIED CODING SPECIALIST, I HAVE MY R.J.T., I  
24 GRADUATED LAST YEAR WITH A A.S. DEGREE AND I'M SITTING THERE  
25 DOING THE SAME TYPE OF WORK THEY'RE DOING AND THEY'RE GETTING





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1 PAID ALL THE MONEY AND I DON'T THINK IT'S FAIR. WE WERE  
2 OFFERED, FROM THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE, A 30% SALARY PROPOSAL BUT  
3 THAT DOESN'T STILL-- WE'VE BEEN UNDERPAID FOR SO LONG, IT  
4 DOESN'T REALLY PUT US IN THE MARKET VALUE WITH THE REST OF THE  
5 CODERS. AND SO WE ARE HERE TODAY TO LET YOU ALL KNOW WHAT'S  
6 GOING ON. THE MORALE IS LOW AT OUR FACILITY, ALL THE CODERS  
7 WITH THEIR CREDENTIALS LIKE MYSELF IS THINKING ABOUT LEAVING  
8 BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GETTING PAID WHAT WE'RE WORTH. AND CODERS  
9 ARE VERY CRITICAL TO THE SURVIVAL OF THE HOSPITAL. IF WE DON'T  
10 CODE, THEN THE HOSPITALS MAY NOT HAVE A FUTURE. SO WE WOULD  
11 LIKE FOR THE COUNTY TO APPRECIATE US MORE BECAUSE OUR JOBS ARE  
12 VERY IMPORTANT. THAT'S ABOUT IT.

13

14 **LATWASHE DEMMERELLE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
15 LATWASHE. I'M LATWASHE DEMMERELLE. I'M FROM L.A.C./U.S.C.  
16 MEDICAL CENTER. I AM A CERTIFIED CODER. I'VE BEEN WORKING FOR  
17 THE COUNTY FOR 16 YEARS. I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE TRAINING  
18 ISSUES FOR THE MEDICAL RECORDS CODERS. WE HAVE BEEN GOING TO  
19 MEETINGS REGARDING THE MEDICAL RECORDS CODING BUT, JUST  
20 LATELY, WE JUST FOUND OUT THAT THE CLASSES WERE HALTED. I'M  
21 NOT SURE EXACTLY WHY THEY WERE HALTED BUT I KNOW THAT THEY  
22 WERE HALTED. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT WE REALLY NEED THIS  
23 PROGRAM TO GET US STARTED BECAUSE WE NEED SO MANY CODERS OUT  
24 THERE. AND ALSO, WE DID ACTUALLY A SURVEY AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
25 GIVE THIS TO THE SUPERVISORS, IF I CAN. FOR EACH ONE.



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2 **CHARLES DOOKES:** SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS CHARLES

3 DOOKES. I'M THE CHAIRPERSON FOR THE MEDICAL RECORDS CODERS

4 BARGAINING UNIT AND ONE OF THE CHAIR PEOPLE WHO NEGOTIATE THE

5 COMPENSATION AND THE CLASSIFICATION ISSUES SURROUNDING THE

6 MEDICAL CODERS. ON FEBRUARY THE 24TH, 2004, YOU, THE BOARD OF

7 SUPERVISORS, APPROVED AND INITIATED A CLASSIFICATION STUDY FOR

8 THE MEDICAL RECORDS CODERS AND ALL OF THE RELATED ITEMS AND A

9 COMPENSATION PACKAGE FOR THE SALARIES PROPOSED TO THE NEW

10 CLASSES WOULD BE NEGOTIATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 5.04 OF THE

11 COUNTY CODE. APPROVAL OF THE CLASSIFICATION STUDY RESULTED IN

12 THE RECLASSIFICATION OF AFFECTED POSITIONS TO THE NEW CLASSES

13 ARE SUBJECT TO DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF

14 SUPERVISORS BEFORE THE RESULTS COULD BE IMPLEMENTED. THE

15 RECOMMENDATION FOR THE NEW CLASSIFICATIONS AND THE COST

16 ESTIMATE TO IMPLEMENT THE STUDY WOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE UNION

17 AT THE TIME THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FILED BY THE EXECUTIVE

18 OFFICERS CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR PLACEMENT ON

19 THE AGENDA OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR

20 CONSIDERATION BUT IN NO EVENT LATER THAN MAY 15TH, 2005. THE

21 RESULTS OF THE STUDY WOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE UNION UPON

22 COMPLETION. THERE HAS BEEN NO COMPLIANCE TO ANY OF THIS ORDER

23 IN REGARDS TO US BEING ABLE TO NEGOTIATE. THE STUDY HAS NOT

24 BEEN PROVIDED TO US, THE CLASSIFICATION STUDY HAS NOT BEEN

25 MADE AVAILABLE, NOR THE COMPENSATION PACKAGE, ALONG WITH THE



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1 TRAINING AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT RELATED TO MOVING THE MANDATE  
2 IN THE AGENDA THAT YOU THE BOARD HAD SET FORTH. SO WE'RE HERE  
3 TO RAISE THOSE ISSUES HERE TODAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D JUST LIKE TO ASK THE C.A.O. TO GET US THE  
8 INFORMATION AND LET US KNOW WHAT THE STATUS IS. I GUESS THERE  
9 WAS A SETTLEMENT AND THERE'S AN ISSUE REGARDING SOME OF THE  
10 LANGUAGE OF THE SETTLEMENT.

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK-- LET ME ASK MIKE HENRY TO RESPOND.  
13 THEY'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM FOR SOME TIME ON THIS ISSUE. WE  
14 WERE INVOLVED FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE COMPENSATION.

15

16 **MICHAEL HENRY:** IT WOULD BE HELPFUL BUT THAT'S OKAY. I'M HERE  
17 NOW. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THIS CLASSIFICATION  
18 STUDY HAS BEEN ONE THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON FOR SOME TIME.  
19 IT BASICALLY CREATES 11 NEW CLASSIFICATIONS, WHICH IS THE NEXT  
20 LEVEL UP FROM MEDICAL RECORDS CODERS. THE CLASSIFICATION  
21 ITSELF HAS ABOUT A 34% SALARY INCREASE AT THE BOTTOM END AND  
22 THAT PYRAMIDS UP TO THE TOP AND, THE CLOSER YOU ARE TO THE  
23 TOP, THE LESS COMPENSATION THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WOULD GET. BUT  
24 IT'S QUITE, QUITE GENEROUS AT THE BOTTOM AND AT THE MIDDLE IN  
25 TERMS OF A SALARY INCREASE. WHAT IT WILL REQUIRE IS THAT



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1 INDIVIDUALS HAVE THE CORRECT CERTIFICATION FOR THIS NEW  
2 CLASSIFICATION. AND, AT THE TIME THAT THEY PROVE THAT AND THE  
3 CLASSIFICATION IS ACCREDITED AND BECOMES A CLASS WITHIN OUR  
4 CLASS SYSTEM, THEN THOSE INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR A  
5 PROMOTION TO THE NEW CLASS.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. WELL, I WOULD LIKE TO JUST KEEP  
8 INFORMED ON WHAT THE SITUATION IS.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
11 CONCERN TO THE MEMBER-- TO YOUR WORKFORCE ISSUES. THE MEMBERS  
12 WANT A QUICK RESPONSE, IF THEY COULD, PLEASE.

13

14 **CHARLES DOOKES:** IN REGARDS TO THE COMPENSATION PACKAGE, FIRST,  
15 LET ME SAY THIS IS THE CHAIR. THAT'S REALLY NOT MY PRIORITY AS  
16 MUCH AS IT IS THE TRAINING OF THE CODERS THAT WOULD EXECUTE  
17 WHAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FIRST PUT IN MOTION THREE YEARS  
18 AGO BUT TO SAY THAT IT'S A GENEROUS OFFER IS AN  
19 UNDERSTATEMENT. WHEN YOUR PERSONNEL IS ALWAYS-- ALREADY  
20 GROSSLY UNDERPAID, THE 30%, WHEN YOU EQUATE IT OUT PROPERLY,  
21 REALLY COMES OUT TO JUST 3.5 PER YEAR AND IT STILL DOESN'T PUT  
22 YOUR CODERS IN THE MARKET TO RETAIN THE NECESSARY PERSONNEL  
23 THAT YOU NEED TO BE TRAINED TO HAVE. NEITHER DOES IT PERFORM  
24 THE PROPER WAY FOR US TO RECRUIT LIKE WE WANTED TO TO MEET  
25 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S TRAINING MANDATE, WHICH WE FOUND TO



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1 ME, FOR SOME STRANGE REASON, WE'VE RUN INTO GREAT OBSTACLES IN  
2 ORDER TO INSTITUTE THIS, ALONG WITH THE MONEY THAT'S BEEN  
3 SPENT THAT WE COULD HAVE INITIATED THAT WOULD HAVE SOLVED THIS  
4 PROBLEM. WE BROUGHT ALONG ENOUGH DOCUMENTATION TO PROVE THAT,  
5 IF I'M ALLOWED TO DISTRIBUTE IT TO YOU. WHEN MR. YAROSLAVSKY  
6 FIRST MADE THE FIRST INITIAL PROPOSAL FOR THE R.F.P. OF \$13  
7 MILLION, WE ACTUALLY ENDED UP SPENDING \$22 MILLION FOR THE  
8 CONTRACT CODERS. A TENTH OF THAT MONEY WOULD HAVE ALLOWED US  
9 TO INITIATE THE TRAINING AND WOULD HAVE TAKEN CARE OF THE  
10 COMPENSATION. SO WE ARE IN A BARGAINING TURMOIL HERE AS TO  
11 WHETHER OR NOT THAT'S ADEQUATE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY THIS  
12 IS ONE ITEM THAT, REGARDLESS TO HOW COUNTY PERSONNEL MAY  
13 APPROACH IT, THE ITEM IS DRIVEN BY THE INDUSTRY. WE HAVE TO  
14 SUCCUMB TO THE INDUSTRY STANDARDS, NOT ONLY IN COMPENSATION  
15 BUT ALSO IN REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS. WE CAN'T TAILOR  
16 IT TO FIT THE COUNTY AND I THINK-- NOT TO SAY THAT THE COUNTY  
17 IS STUBBORN IN THE MATTER BUT I DON'T THINK THEY FULLY  
18 APPRECIATE WHAT THE ITEM IS AND YOU CAN'T CHANGE IT WHEN IT  
19 APPLIES TO THE COUNTRYWIDE A CERTAIN WAY AND THEN WHICH WE  
20 WANT TO MANIPULATE IT ANOTHER WAY AND YOU CAN'T DO THAT.

21  
22 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, JUST TO SUMMARIZE THE UNION'S POSITION IN  
23 THIS MATTER, WE HAVE A SITUATION HERE WHERE THE CONTRACTED  
24 POSITION IS COMPENSATED ON A MUCH HIGHER RATE THAN THE COUNTY  
25 EMPLOYEES WHO PERFORMED THE SERVICE FOR MANY YEARS. THE ISSUES



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1 THAT WERE BROUGHT TO YOU ARE TWO. THE FIRST ONE IS THAT, WHILE  
2 WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS THAT CAME OUT OF THE CLASSIFICATION  
3 STUDY, THE COMPANY EMPLOYEES, BECAUSE OF THE CURRENT COUNTY  
4 CODE STRUCTURE, WILL ONLY COME IN AT A MINIMUM INCREASE AND  
5 THEY WILL STILL BE VASTLY BEYOND THE CONTRACT RATE. THAT'S THE  
6 FIRST POINT. AND SO-- BECAUSE OF THE STRUCTURE. SO MEANING  
7 THEY START THE TALLY AT THE BEGINNING END, THEY WILL NOT BE  
8 COMPENSATED FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE. THE SECOND POINT IS  
9 THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN ABSENCE OF FULL DISCLOSURE OF  
10 INFORMATION, AS WAS REQUESTED BY THE PARTIES AND AGREED TO BY  
11 COUNTY COUNSEL AGREEMENT. SO THAT WE WANTED TO BRING TO YOUR  
12 ATTENTION. I APPRECIATE, SUPERVISOR BURKE, YOUR INTEREST IN  
13 THIS MATTER AND, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S INITIAL  
14 MOTION TO MOVE FORWARD THIS EFFORT AND WE-- OUR REQUEST IS  
15 THAT THE BOARD DIRECT C.A.O. D.H.R. HEALTH SERVICES TO  
16 CONTINUE A FULL DIALOGUE WITH THE UNION COMMITTEE ON THIS  
17 MATTER.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO BE DOING THAT. AND ALSO  
20 LET US KNOW WHAT THE CONTRACT PEOPLE ARE BEING PAID.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, WE CERTAINLY CAN DO  
23 THAT BUT WE DO NOT EVER PAY CONTRACT RATE TO OUR OWN  
24 EMPLOYEES. I MEAN, THAT'S A ONGOING ISSUE WITH NURSES AND



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1 EVERYBODY THAT WE CONTRACT WITH, YOU'RE HIRING A FIRM, YOU END  
2 UP PAYING MORE MONEY, SO WE DON'T USE THAT COMPARISON.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT YOU USE THE INDUSTRY  
5 STANDARDS.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE THINK THAT THE 34% INCREASE DOES TAKE US TO  
8 INDUSTRY STANDARDS AND WE CERTAINLY WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH  
9 THEM. THE FAILURE TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION I THINK IS SOMETHING  
10 WE ARE NOT AWARE OF. RIGHT? WE HAVE BEEN MEETING AND  
11 CONFERRING AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. IT'S A VERY  
12 IMPORTANT CLASSIFICATION IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. IS IT YOUR  
13 RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS BE APPROVED AND GO FORWARD?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE NOT OPPOSED TO THE CREATING OF A NEW  
16 CLASSIFICATION, SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** GOT IT. OKAY. JUST CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE  
19 DETAILS. OKAY.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND WE'LL KEEP YOU INFORMED OF HOW IT GOES.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
3 SO ORDERED.

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** AND 78 AND 39, I'LL MOVE BOTH OF THOSE ITEMS.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** AND NOW, IN 27, WHICH IS ANOTHER-- I HAVE AN  
12 AMENDMENT.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 27?

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. IT'S ON THE SAME ISSUE. WHILE THE DEPARTMENT  
17 OF HEALTH SERVICES INDICATES THAT THERE IS A GREAT NEED FOR  
18 MEDICAL RECORD CODER TRAINING, WE OUGHT TO PROVIDE SUCH  
19 SERVICES IN THE MOST EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE MANNER POSSIBLE  
20 FOR OUR EMPLOYEES. AS PROPOSED IN TODAY'S BOARD LETTER, THE  
21 TRAINING WOULD ONLY BE CONDUCTED AT ONE FACILITY IN THE ENTIRE  
22 COUNTY. GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE PROGRAM REQUIRES AN 18-MONTH  
23 COMMITMENT BY OUR EMPLOYEES AND THAT A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF  
24 THESE EMPLOYEES/TRAINEES WILL COME FROM THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES  
25 AREA, IT WOULD BE PRUDENT FOR D.H.S. TO OFFER THIS PROGRAM AT



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1 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THAT AREA THAT HAVE ALREADY  
2 EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT  
3 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE THE EXECUTION OF THE PROPOSED  
4 CONTRACT WITH EAST L.A. COLLEGE THROUGH JUNE 30TH, 2006,  
5 WITHOUT THE AUTOMATIC 12-MONTH EXTENSION. AND I FURTHER MOVE  
6 THAT THIS BOARD DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
7 HEALTH SERVICES TO REPORT BACK TO THIS BOARD WITH ITS  
8 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TO PROVIDE MEDICAL RECORD CODER TRAINING  
9 AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA.  
10 SUCH PLAN SHALL COME BEFORE THIS BOARD NO LESS THAN 90 DAYS  
11 PRIOR TO THE D.H.S. FILING A BOARD LETTER FOR THE 12-MONTH  
12 EXTENSION.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND. ANY OBJECTIONS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THE ONLY QUESTION I WOULD ADD, I MEAN--  
17 WE'VE HAD INDICATIONS FROM COMMUNITY-- SOME COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
18 WITHIN THE CONFINES OF MY DISTRICT AS WELL...

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. AS...

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT JUST ISOLATED TO SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND  
23 SOUTHEAST.

24



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1   **SUP. BURKE:** IN FACT, WE SHOULD SAY-- WE ALSO HAVE SOME WEST,  
2   IN THE WEST AREA OF OUR DISTRICT.

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT. AND THE SOUTHEAST AREA AS WELL, TOO.

5

6   **SUP. BURKE:** SOUTHEAST, I WOULD ADD THE SOUTHEAST AND THE WEST  
7   BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD...

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9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T YOU THROW IN THE SAN FERNANDO  
10   VALLEY? WHY DON'T WE JUST TAKE A LOOK AT THE WHOLE COUNTY AND  
11   SEE, COUNTYWIDE AND SEE WHAT YOU COME UP WITH. AND WE'RE  
12   TALKING ABOUT COMMUNITY COLLEGES HERE?

13

14   **SUP. BURKE:** YES, THEY'RE COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

15

16   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, BECAUSE SOME, I MEAN, LIKE, I HAVE A NUMBER  
17   OF THEM BUT A COUPLE OF THEM ARE REALLY INTO THE MEDICAL SIDE  
18   OF NURSE'S TRAINING AND THE CODERS AND ALL THAT KIND OF STUFF.

19

20   **SUP. BURKE:** OH, I'M SORRY. CAL STATE ALSO IS INTERESTED.

21

22   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, WE'LL JUST DO IT COUNTYWIDE AND SEE WHAT  
23   HAPPENS.

24

25   **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. I SO MOVE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU WOULD AMEND YOUR MOTION...

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS AMENDED, STIPULATING COUNTYWIDE, WITHOUT  
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** WE DID 39. WE INCLUDED THAT WITHIN IT. RIGHT? AND  
8 THE-- I'LL CALL UP ITEM 10.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RICHARD ROBINSON.

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12 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON,  
13 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZER IN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. I  
14 AM DEVELOPING A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CONCEPT SIMILAR TO THAT I  
15 DEVELOPED AT THE FORMER MILLION-DOLLAR HOTEL DOWNTOWN IN  
16 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT. FOR 34 YEARS. SIR, AS YOUR  
17 SHERIFF, FIRE CHIEF, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENTS OF  
18 HEALTH AND PUBLIC WORKS WORK WITH MR. COOLEY AND YOUR  
19 OPERATIONAL AREA LEADER, ET AL, IN ORDER TO DISTRIBUTE THESE  
20 MONEYS UPON AWARD FOR HOMELAND SECURITY, YOUR SECRETARY OF  
21 STATE IS WORKING TOWARD PROVIDING THE IRAQI PEOPLE A REVAMPED  
22 MARTIAL PLAN WHICH WILL ALLOW THE UNITED STATES MILITARY TO  
23 WITHDRAW OUR PRIMARY FORCES. THESE MONEYS, WHEN DISTRIBUTED TO  
24 YOUR CITIES BY THE COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA LEADER, WILL HELP  
25 OUR COUNTRY, OUR STATE, OUR REGION, OUR COUNTY AND OUR CITY



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1 REMAIN FREE FROM TERRORIST ATTACK AS OUR NATION'S DEFENDERS  
2 RETURN HOME TO THE HERO'S WELCOME WHEN THEIR JOB IS COMPLETE.  
3 SO THE WORLD IS WATCHING THE MOST IMPORTANT POLITICAL PROCESS  
4 IN THE WORLD UNFOLD AS PRESIDENT BUSH TEACHES THE SUNNI, THE  
5 SHIITE, THE KURDS TO NEGOTIATE A CONSTITUTION TO BE RATIFIED  
6 OCTOBER 15TH NOW THAT A DRAFT CONSTITUTION HAS BEEN SENT TO  
7 THEIR ASSEMBLY. THANK YOU. THAT'S 24 MILLION 969 DOLLARS.  
8 THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
13 SO ORDERED.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** ITEM 25.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 25. PETER BAXTER.

18

19 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,  
20 MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND  
21 I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS  
22 AGENDA ITEM IS BASED UPON THE PRESENT METHOD OF FIGHTING FIRE.  
23 LAST TUESDAY, THE HONORABLE MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH KINDLY ASKED  
24 ME TO INDICATE WHERE THE RESEARCH WAS TO BE FOUND IN THE  
25 MATTER OF STEAM VERSUS WATER FOR FIGHTING FIRE. OXYGEN IS



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1 CRITICALLY DEPENDENT ON STEAM IN THIS SITUATION. WATER IS USED  
2 TO COOL THE FIRE SITE, WHEREAS STEAM IS USED TO DEPRIVE THE  
3 FIRE OF OXYGEN. THE SCIENTIST WHO IS CREDITED WITH THE  
4 DISCOVERY OF OXYGEN IS ANTOINE LAURENT LA VOISIER, A FRENCH  
5 CHEMIST WHO IS REGARDED AS THE FOUNDER OF MODERN CHEMISTRY. HE  
6 LIVED FROM 1743 TO 1794. HE WAS BORN IN PARIS. AND, TO SUSTAIN  
7 HIS RESEARCH, HE ACCEPTED AN APPOINTMENT AS A COLLECTOR OF  
8 TAXES, FOR WHICH HE WAS GUILLOTINED IN THE FRENCH EVOLUTION.  
9 LA VOISIER IS ALSO KNOWN FOR HIS RESEARCH INTO BOTH COMBUSTION  
10 AND RESPIRATION. WHEN WE BREATHE, WE DRAW FRESH AIR INTO OUR  
11 LUNGS AND THAT FRESH AIR CONTAINS 80% NITROGEN, APPROXIMATELY,  
12 AND 20% OXYGEN, APPROXIMATELY. WE USE THE OXYGEN AND EXHALE  
13 THE NITROGEN AS CARBON DIOXIDE, A COLORLESS GAS WHICH DOES NOT  
14 SUPPORT COMBUSTION. A CHILD BLOWING OUT A CANDLE ON A BIRTHDAY  
15 CAKE SURROUNDS THE CANDLE WITH CARBON DIOXIDE, THEREBY DENYING  
16 OXYGEN IN THE ATMOSPHERE TO THE BURNING CANDLE. THE CANDLE  
17 GOES OUT INSTANTLY AND IT GOES OUT SO FAST THAT IT'S VERY  
18 DIFFICULT TO FIGURE OUT JUST WHAT FRACTION OF A SECOND DID IT  
19 TAKE TO GO OUT. NOW THIS IS AN EXERCISE WHICH, IN MY VIEW,  
20 CONSTITUTES AN EXCELLENT RESEARCH PROJECT, WHICH I HOPE IS  
21 PART OF THE RESPONSE THAT I OWE TO THE SUPERVISOR FOR ASKING  
22 ME ABOUT IT LAST TIME, ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
23 AND I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

24  
25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** MOVED.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
5 SO ORDERED.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM 42.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JENNY YANG?

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11 **JENNY YANG:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JENNY YANG, RESEARCH  
12 ASSOCIATE FOR THE SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL  
13 660. LOCAL 660 REPRESENTS OVER 50,000 WORKERS AND THE MAJORITY  
14 OF WORKERS IN THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT. I'M HERE TODAY TO  
15 TESTIFY AGAINST ITEM 42 BECAUSE LIBRARY MANAGEMENT FAILED TO  
16 NOTIFY THE UNION PRIOR TO ISSUING THE R.F.P., A CLEAR  
17 VIOLATION OF THE COUNTY'S MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, OR  
18 M.O.U., WITH LOCAL 660. IN TURN, WE WERE NOT AFFORDED ADEQUATE  
19 TIME TO DECIDE IF THIS WAS AN ISSUE OF CONCERN AND IF WE  
20 NEEDED TO MEET WITH LIBRARY OFFICIALS ON THIS MATTER. ARTICLE  
21 20 OF ALL LOCAL 660 CONTRACTS WITH THE COUNTY READS THAT,  
22 PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF AN R.F.P., THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
23 PROVIDE A COPY OF THE R.F.P. TO S.E.I.U. LOCAL 660 AND OFFER  
24 TO ME IN CONSULT WITH THE UNION WITHIN 10 BUSINESS DAYS. NOW,  
25 THIS R.F.P. WAS ISSUED BACK IN JUNE. THE UNION DID NOT LEARN





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1 ABOUT THIS CONTRACT UNTIL WE OURSELVES REVIEWED THE PUBLICLY  
2 AVAILABLE BOARD AGENDA THIS PAST THURSDAY. NOW, UPON LAST-  
3 MINUTE REVIEW OF THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT, THE UNION FINDS IF  
4 TROUBLING THAT THE LANDSCAPE WORKERS UNDER THE CONTRACT WOULD  
5 RECEIVE ZERO BENEFITS. THE UNION OBJECTS TO CONTRACTING OUT OF  
6 ALL COUNTY SERVICES AND OBJECTS TO CONTRACTORS NOT PROVIDING  
7 HEALTH BENEFITS AS A SOLUTION FOR COST CUTTING. CUTTING HEALTH  
8 COSTS CREATES AN APPEARANCE OF SAVING COUNTY MONEY BUT, IF THE  
9 COUNTY DOES NOT PAY NOW, THE COUNTY WILL SURELY PAY LATER WITH  
10 WORKERS RELYING ON OUR COUNTY SAFETY NET FOR HEALTH SERVICES.  
11 NOT ONLY IS CUTTING HEALTH COSTS POOR BUSINESS PRACTICE, BUT  
12 IT IS SIMPLY UNJUST. AND NOW, IN ADDITION TO THIS INSTANCE OF  
13 LACK OF NOTICE, LIBRARY MANAGEMENT SHOWS A PATTERN OF  
14 NONCOMPLIANCE. THIS WAS THE VERY REASON THAT UNION MET WITH  
15 MANAGEMENT ON JUNE 8TH OF THIS YEAR JUST TWO MONTHS AGO. NOW,  
16 BUT, JUST ONE MONTH AGO, OUR REGULAR REVIEW OF THE COUNTY'S  
17 CONTRACTS DATABASE UNCOVERED ANOTHER INSTANCE OF LACK OF  
18 NOTIFICATION. BUT THIS IS MORE THAN A QUIBBLE OVER  
19 FORMALITIES. THE UNION'S RIGHT TO REVIEW THE R.F.P.S AFFORDS  
20 US THE OPPORTUNITY TO ANALYZE AND JUDGE HOW WE CAN BEST  
21 PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF COUNTY WORKERS AND ENSURE QUALITY COUNTY  
22 SERVICES. SO, HERE WE ARE TODAY TESTIFYING BECAUSE, FRANKLY,  
23 THE UNION IS FED UP WITH LIBRARY MANAGEMENT'S ANTI-UNION AND  
24 ANTI-EMPLOYEE BEHAVIOR. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO PUBLICLY  
25 TESTIFY AGAINST THEM IF THEY CONTINUE THEIR BUSINESS AS USUAL.



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1 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, LET'S GET REAL HERE. DO YOU REALLY NEED  
2 TO SPEND YOUR TIME HEARING ABOUT LIBRARY MANAGEMENT'S  
3 UNWILLINGNESS TO FULFILL THE MOST BASIC PROTOCOLS OF LABOR  
4 MANAGEMENT RELATIONS AS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY'S EMPLOYEE  
5 RELATIONS ORDINANCE? NOT PROPERLY NOTIFYING THE UNION CREATES  
6 UNNECESSARY WORK AND CONFLICT FOR ALL OF US ON A NONSTRATEGIC  
7 ISSUE. THE TIME WE ALL SPENT ON BASIC ISSUES OF NOTIFICATION  
8 COULD BE SPENT WORKING TOGETHER ON IMPORTANT PROJECTS, SUCH AS  
9 THE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF SKILLED LIBRARY  
10 PROFESSIONALS. SO HERE'S THE BOTTOM LINE. WE URGE YOU TO  
11 DIRECT LIBRARY MANAGEMENT TO SIMPLY DO THEIR JOB AND COMPLY  
12 WITH THE LOCAL 660 M.O.U. THEIR CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION. LET'S  
13 FREE UP OUR TIME TO WORK TOGETHER ON MORE IMPORTANT ISSUES OF  
14 SHARED INTERESTS, SUCH AS IMPROVING THE SCOPE AND QUALITY OF  
15 THE COUNTY'S LIBRARY SERVICES. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK...

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MARGARET IS HERE. I THINK YOU NEED TO...

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, BUT SHE HAS-- THE DEPARTMENT ASKED FOR--  
22 WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO, THEY WANTED TO TESTIFY TODAY BUT IT'S  
23 GOING TO BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. SO MOTION TO CONTINUE BY BURKE,  
2   SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION FOR ONE WEEK. SO ORDERED.

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4   **SUP. BURKE:** ITEM NUMBER 80.

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6   **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON THAT REGISTRAR-RECORDER ITEM THAT  
7   I HAD A QUESTION ON, I GUESS THE REGISTRAR THOUGHT IT WAS  
8   APPROVED SO SHE SAID IT WAS OKAY TO CONTINUE IT A WEEK AND  
9   SHE'LL GET ME MY ANSWERS, SO COULD I MOVE CONTINUANCE ON  
10  THAT...

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12  **SUP. BURKE:** WHICH ITEM WAS THAT?

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14  **SUP. KNABE:** ITEM-- HANG ON, I THINK IT'S 64 BUT I'LL DOUBLE  
15  CHECK. WAIT A MINUTE. 80...

16

17  **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 82.

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19  **SUP. KNABE:** 82. CAN WE CONTINUE THAT ONE WEEK? OKAY. THANK  
20  YOU.

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22  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NUMBER 80. DR. CLAVREUL. GIVE YOUR NAME FOR  
23  THE RECORD, PLEASE.

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.  
2 I WAS HOPING TO BE ABLE TO HEAR THE REPORT FIRST BEFORE I HAD  
3 TO SPEAK TO THAT.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. NO PROBLEM. WE'LL GET THE REPORT FIRST.  
6 I'LL CALL YOU BACK.

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8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OKAY.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THE DEPARTMENT HERE?

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12 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, I'M HERE TO TALK  
13 ABOUT MANAGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN CONTRACTS. WE HAVE MULTIPLE  
14 METHODS BY WHICH WE LOOK AT CONTRACTS. TWO ARE RELATIVELY  
15 SIMPLE AND I THINK PROBABLY FUNCTION REASONABLY WELL. ONE IS  
16 TO LOOK AT THE INVOICES AND MAKE SURE PAYMENTS ARE ALIGNED  
17 WITH THOSE INVOICES. THE SECOND RELATES TO THE TECHNICAL  
18 ASPECTS OF WHETHER LICENSING AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
19 CONTRACT ARE MET. I THINK WE HAVE MECHANISMS IN PLACE TO  
20 MONITOR THAT AND I THINK THAT WE FIND RELATIVELY FEWER  
21 PROBLEMS THERE. THE THIRD PLACE, HOWEVER, IS IN PROGRAMMATIC  
22 ELEMENTS OF THE CONTRACT. THAT IS, ACTUAL OBSERVATION  
23 DOCUMENTATION THAT THE HOURS, SERVICES AND QUALITY OF THE  
24 SERVICES RENDERED ARE REPRODUCIBLY OBSERVED AND ARE WELL  
25 DOCUMENTED AND ABLE TO BE CONVINCINGLY DEMONSTRATED TO AN



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1   AUDIT. I THINK THERE ARE MANY REASONS FOR THAT AND I WOULD  
2   JUST SAY THAT THE BULK OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FALLS BACK ON  
3   MEDICAL DIRECTORS AND SERVICE CHIEFS AND THAT THE FAILINGS  
4   THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN, I THINK, IN THE DEPARTMENT OVER MANY  
5   YEARS, MAY RELATE IN PART TO A COMBINATION OF LACK OF DATA,  
6   EFFORT, TRAINING OR SUPERVISION OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS. NONE OF  
7   THOSE I FIND ACCEPTABLE. AND WE HAVE WORKED TO ENHANCE THIS IN  
8   SEVERAL WAYS. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE IS TO DEFINE  
9   THE RESPONSIBILITY CLEARLY TO ALL MEDICAL DIRECTORS AND THOSE  
10   WHO REPORT TO THOSE. WE'VE IMPLEMENTED TRAINING AND HAVE  
11   SCHEDULED FOLLOW-UP AUDITS. WE'VE DONE SOME ADDITIONAL THINGS  
12   SPECIFICALLY IN AREAS LIKE THE KING DREW E.R. AND WE'RE  
13   LOOKING AT THIS DEPARTMENTAL-- DEPARTMENT-WIDE. I ALSO WOULD  
14   SAY THAT, IN OUR CONTRACTING, BOTH IN THE KING DREW CONTRACT,  
15   WE PUT IN MUCH MORE STRICT TIMECARD REQUIREMENTS IN OUR SOON  
16   TO COME FORWARD CONTRACT WITH L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. WE'RE MOVING  
17   TOWARDS WHAT I THINK IS A BETTER WAY OF CONTRACTING PHYSICIAN  
18   SERVICES AND THAT IS TO COUNT WORKLOAD IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO  
19   THE WAY IT'S DONE IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, WHICH I THINK  
20   PHYSICIANS ARE MUCH MORE AMENABLE AND USED TO FOLLOWING, AND  
21   WHICH WOULD ALLOW US TO DOCUMENT, INCENTIVIZE THE QUANTITY AND  
22   QUALITY OF WORK AS OPPOSED TO JUST THE NUMBER OF HOURS IN THE  
23   HOSPITAL. WITH THAT, I'LL STOP AND WELCOME YOUR QUESTIONS.  
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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THERE A LACK OF CONSISTENCY BETWEEN VERBAL  
2   COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE CENTRALIZED CONTRACT MONITORING  
3   DIVISION AND THE INDIVIDUAL FACILITIES OF PROGRAMS? THE REASON  
4   I SAY THAT IS THAT YOU'VE REPORTED THAT THE CLINICAL CHIEF WHO  
5   MONITORS BUILDINGS AND CONTRACTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES AND  
6   HOSPITAL FINANCE OFFICE STAFF WHO REVIEW AND RECONCILES  
7   INVOICES PRIOR TO PAYMENT DO NOT ALWAYS VERIFY INFORMATION.

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9   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, I THINK THE INVOICE SAYS THAT  
10   WE'RE BILLING YOU FOR 40 HOURS OF WORK. THE INDIVIDUAL WHO  
11   SIGNS OFF ON THAT 40 HOURS, AT SOME POINT, SHOULD HAVE  
12   VERIFIED THAT THEY GOT ALL 40 HOURS AND THAT THE QUALITY OF  
13   THAT WORK WAS APPROPRIATE. SO I THINK THERE IS A LACK OF  
14   UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE SIGNATURE MEANS, A LACK OF  
15   DEFINITION OF HOW RIGOROUS ONE HAS TO BE IN DOCUMENTING THAT  
16   WORK. OBVIOUSLY, IF YOU'RE THE HEAD OF THE EMERGENCY ROOM AT A  
17   BIG MEDICAL CENTER AND YOU HAVE A DOZEN CONTRACTORS WHO COME  
18   IN AND OUT 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, YOU NEED SYSTEMS  
19   IN PLACE THAT ALLOW YOU TO DOCUMENT THAT THEY GET THERE ON  
20   TIME, THAT THEY LEAVE AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME AND THAT THEY  
21   ARE PRODUCTIVE WHILE THEY'RE THERE. I THINK THAT THAT'S WHERE  
22   THAT-- THE RIGOR OF THAT PROCESS IS WHERE A LOT OF THIS HAS  
23   FALLEN DOWN.

24



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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO HOW IS THE DEPARTMENT-- WHAT IS THE  
2   PROCESS THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS DOING TO CLARIFY THESE-- AND  
3   CORRECT THESE INCONSISTENCIES?

4

5   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, WHAT WE'VE IS WE'VE REVISITED  
6   WITH EVERY MEDICAL DIRECTOR IN OUR CLINICAL OPERATIONS  
7   MEETING, THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO OVERSEE THAT AND TO SUPERVISE  
8   THE CLINICAL CHIEFS THAT ARE ALSO OVERSEEING THAT AND TO TAKE  
9   A PERSONAL INTEREST IN REVIEWING THE SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO  
10   ASSURE THAT THE CONTRACTORS, CONTRACT PHYSICIANS, ESPECIALLY,  
11   ARE IN PLACE AND THAT THEIR HOURS THAT ARE DOCUMENTED ARE  
12   ACCURATE, JUST AS THEY NEED TO BE TO ASSURE THAT THE TIMECARDS  
13   ASSOCIATED WITH FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES ARE ACCURATE.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DOES THE MONITOR OF BILLINGS ENSURES THAT  
16   THOSE CONTRACTED PHYSICIANS ARE NOT EXCEEDING THEIR LIMITS?

17

18   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, YEAH, THE INDIVIDUALS WHO LOOK AT  
19   THE-- THEY SHOULD-- THE-- THE CERTIFICATION THAT NOT TOO MANY  
20   HOURS ARE EXCEEDED SHOULD BE A COMBINATION, I THINK, OF THE  
21   PROGRAMMATIC INDIVIDUALS, THE SERVICE CHIEF, FOR INSTANCE,  
22   WHO'S BUYING EMERGENCY ROOM PHYSICIANS, FOR AN EXAMPLE, BUT  
23   ALSO-- AND THE CONTRACT LIAISON, WHICH WE HAVE ONE IN EACH  
24   FACILITY AND IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT. I THINK THAT ALL OF  
25   THOSE SHOULD BE ASKING THAT QUESTION BUT I THINK, TECHNICALLY,





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1 IT'S GOING TO GET BACK TO THE PROGRAM PERSON WHO NEEDS TO KNOW  
2 THAT THE PARAMETERS OF THE CONTRACT AND THE-- AND BE ASSESSING  
3 THE PERFORMANCE IN RELATION TO THE CONTRACT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW ARE YOU INFORMED IF THE CLINICAL CHIEFS  
6 ARE PROVIDING THE NECESSARY OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT OF TIME  
7 WORKED AND CONTRACTOR DUTIES AND THAT THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES  
8 ARE BEING CARRIED OUT AND VERIFIED?

9

10 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I MEAN, IT REALLY SHOULD BE THREE  
11 OVERSIGHT POSSIBILITIES HERE. ONE IS THE INDIVIDUAL SUPERVISOR  
12 SHOULD ASSESS WHETHER OR NOT THE PERSON THEY'RE SUPERVISING IS  
13 CARRYING OUT THEIR DUTIES IN REGARD TO THE CONTRACT. SECONDLY,  
14 THE CONTRACT LIAISON SHOULD BE SOMEONE WHO IS MORE FAMILIAR  
15 WITH THE CONTRACT THAT'S GOING ON IN THAT FACILITY AND THIRD  
16 WOULD BE THROUGH THE AUDIT PROCESS, WHERE OUR AUDIT AND  
17 COMPLIANCE MAY REVIEW THIS OR THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER MIGHT DO  
18 AND THAT'S IN-- THE WAY WE'VE DISCOVERED MANY OF THE PROBLEMS  
19 THROUGH THE YEARS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THE MEDICAL DIRECTORS ARE ACCOUNTABLE AND  
22 YET WE STILL HAVE SHORTCOMINGS FOR THEIR FAILURE TO PROVIDE  
23 THAT OVERSIGHT, HOW DO WE MAKE THEM ACCOUNTABLE?

24



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1 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I THINK THAT'S REALLY A  
2 COMBINATION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AT EACH FACILITY,  
3 WE NEED TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE BECAUSE THEY ARE THE  
4 SUPERVISORS FOR THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICERS. I THINK WE ALSO  
5 BELIEVE ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND ADDITIONAL, YOU KNOW, DATA  
6 SOURCES SO THAT IT MAKES THEIR JOB EASIER WOULD BE LIKELY TO  
7 GIVE YOU, YOU KNOW, BETTER OUTCOME IN TERMS OF CONSISTENCY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON AUGUST 16TH, YOU REPORTED THAT, AT KING  
10 DREW, YOU INSTITUTED A SIGN-IN/ SIGN-OUT FOR ALL CONTRACTED  
11 PHYSICIANS, YET THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S REPORT INDICATED THAT  
12 ONLY OLIVE VIEW HOSPITALS AND ANESTHESIOLOGY DEPARTMENT HAS  
13 IMPLEMENTED THIS. HOW DO WE INSTITUTE A SIGN-IN/ SIGN-OUT LOG  
14 FOR ALL CONTRACTED PHYSICIANS TO COMPLETE AT KING DREW AND ALL  
15 OTHER D.H.S. FACILITIES?

16

17 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH. I DON'T KNOW-- I DON'T RIGHT  
18 OFFHAND KNOW WHY THERE'S DISCREPANCY. I'LL HAVE TO GO BACK AND  
19 LOOK AT TIMING OF WHEN THE AUDIT WAS VERSUS WHEN THE OTHER WAS  
20 IMPLEMENTED, BUT I THINK THAT-- I SUPPORT, YOU KNOW, SIGN-  
21 IN/SIGN-OUT FOR ALL CONTRACTED PHYSICIANS. I THINK THAT WE  
22 SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO THAT AND WE'RE SET TO MOVE FORWARD ON  
23 DOING THAT ACROSS THE DEPARTMENT.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WILL THE DEPARTMENT'S AUDIT INSPECTION  
2   DIVISION AUDIT THE DEPARTMENTS IN EACH OF OUR FACILITIES AND  
3   THE CENTRALIZED CONTRACT MONITORING DIVISION TO MAKE SURE THAT  
4   YOUR PROTOCOLS ARE BEING FOLLOWED?

5

6   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH. UH-- YES. I WOULD LIKE TO  
7   ACTUALLY EXPAND SOME OF THE OVERSIGHT OF PROGRAMMATIC  
8   MONITORING. I THINK THAT THAT'S BEEN THE WEAKNESS RATHER THAN  
9   THOSE OTHER TWO AREAS I TALKED ABOUT, SO THE ANSWER IS, YEAH,  
10   WE CAN USE THE CURRENT STAFF BUT I THINK THAT, BECAUSE WE'VE  
11   ONLY HAD ENOUGH STAFF TO DO A SMALL AMOUNT OF-- RELATIVELY  
12   SMALL AMOUNT OF MONITORING COMPARED TO THE NUMBER OF  
13   CONTRACTS, THAT WE MAY HAVE TO EXPAND IN THAT AREA.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THE MEDICAL AFFILIATIONS AGREEMENTS WE  
16   HAVE WITH UCLA, U.S.C. AND DREW UNIVERSITY PHYSICIAN SERVICES  
17   AND HOURS BEING MONITORED AND VERIFIED BY THE TYPE OF WORK  
18   PERFORMED, CLINICAL SERVICE VERSUS ACADEMIC SERVICES?

19

20   **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I THINK THAT-- I CAN TELL YOU, WITH  
21   INCREASING CERTAINTY, THAT THAT PROCESS HAS BEEN IMPROVED AT  
22   KING DREW AND I KNOW THAT, IN FACT, WE'VE HAD SOME ISSUES--  
23   WE'LL BE BRINGING FORWARD TO THE BOARD SOME ISSUES ABOUT HOW A  
24   TECHNICAL ISSUE WITHIN THE CONTRACT WITH REGARD TO ACADEMIC  
25   HOURS HAS LED TO AN ISSUE OF NOT BEING ABLE TO PAY FOR 39



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1 HOURS OF WORK BUT BEING ABLE TO PAY FOR 40 HOURS OF WORK. SO  
2 THERE'S A-- I KNOW THAT THOSE HOURS ARE BEING COUNTED AND  
3 TRACKED MUCH BETTER THAN THEY EVER HAVE AND I BELIEVE MORE  
4 ACCURATELY BECAUSE THERE'S, YOU KNOW, JUST FROM THE  
5 CONVERSATIONS I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN AND FROM THE REVIEWS THAT  
6 DR. CHERNOF'S OFFICE HAS BEEN DOING.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WILL THEN THE SIGN-IN/ SIGN-OUT LOGS BE  
9 COMPARED TO THE CONTRACT BILLINGS?

10

11 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I WAS, I'M SORRY, I THINK I WAS TALKING  
12 MORE ABOUT TIMECARDS BECAUSE, FOR THE KING DREW, ESPECIALLY  
13 FOR THE ACADEMIC ASPECTS, WE'VE DEVELOPED THE TIMECARD SYSTEM,  
14 AND SO-- BUT IT SHOULD BE FAIRLY SIMILAR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE AUDITOR HAD REPORTED THAT 12 OF THE 48  
17 INVOICES DID NOT INDICATE THE PHYSICIANS' ARRIVAL AND  
18 DEPARTURE TIMES.

19

20 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, I THINK THOSE WERE FOR CONTRACT  
21 PHYSICIANS AND SO I THINK GETTING A SIGN IN/SIGN OUT LOG THAT  
22 WE CAN MORE EASILY VERIFY AND THEN GETTING-- CLEARLY  
23 IDENTIFYING INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL BE LOOKING FOR THOSE  
24 INDIVIDUALS' PRESENCE OR ABSENCE IN THE CLINICAL AREA WOULD BE  
25 HELPFUL.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW OFTEN WOULD THE CLINICAL CHIEF VERIFY THE  
3 CONTRACT PHYSICIANS ARE COMPLYING WITH THE SERVICES AND  
4 BILLING REQUIREMENTS OF THEIR CONTRACT?

5

6 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I WOULD THINK THEY'D WANT TO DO  
7 THAT ON A REGULAR BASIS, WEEKLY, BI-WEEKLY...

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WHAT'S A REGULAR BASIS?

10

11 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I'M SAYING WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY OR MONTHLY.  
12 WE DO TIMECARDS...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT PROTOCOL ESTABLISHED YET?

15

16 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** ...BIWEEKLY.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, WHO'S IT UP TO? I MEAN...

19

20 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I DON'T KNOW.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** ...YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU SAY WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY,  
23 BIMONTHLY, I MEAN, WHO'S IT UP TO, I MEAN? WHO'S GOING TO SET  
24 THAT CRITERIA, I MEAN, AND WHEN?

25



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1 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WE CAN SET A CRITERIA. WE'RE CURRENTLY  
2 DOING TIMECARDS EVERY OTHER WEEK. I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE  
3 PAYMENT MECHANISM IS. I THINK IT'S MONTHLY FOR THE CONTRACTS  
4 AND WE SHOULD PROBABLY SYNCHRONIZE WITH THE PAYMENT MECHANISM.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE THE AUDITOR HAD INDICATED THAT 22 OF  
7 THE 48 INVOICES REVIEWED DID NOT INCLUDE A DESCRIPTION OF THE  
8 SERVICES BY THE PHYSICIAN THAT'S REQUIRED BY THE CONTRACT.  
9 WHICH WAS A HIGH NUMBER.

10

11 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** RIGHT. I WOULD THINK THAT THAT'S BEEN  
12 PART OF THE TRAINING TO IMPROVE THE KNOWLEDGE OF INDIVIDUAL  
13 PHYSICIANS IN THE CONTRACTING. I THINK THAT MY EXPERIENCE IN  
14 THE V.A. WAS THAT SERVICE CHIEFS NEED TO APPOINT  
15 ADMINISTRATIVE INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK HAND IN GLOVE WITH THE  
16 CLINICAL PERSON TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE DOCUMENTATION IS  
17 PROVIDED AND IT'S VERIFIABLE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW WOULD THE CLINICAL CHIEF ENSURE THAT  
20 PHYSICIANS WHO ARE PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY ARE NOT  
21 ALLOWED TO CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF  
22 LEAVING COUNTY SERVICE?

23

24 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** AGAIN, THAT'S-- TO ME, THAT'S GOT TO BE  
25 A COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE SERVICE CHIEF AND THE H.R.



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1 DEPARTMENT WHEN THE HIRING DECISION IS MADE AND WHEN A  
2 CONTRACTING DECISION IS MADE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE THE AUDITOR REPORTED THAT YOU HAD  
5 THREE PHYSICIANS WHICH VIOLATED COUNTY CODE 2180011-- 010.

6

7 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** RIGHT. I THINK THERE WERE SEVERAL WHO  
8 CONTRACTED WITH THE COUNTY BUT THERE WAS A FEW DAYS' OVERLAP  
9 WHICH, OBVIOUSLY, IS NOT ACCEPTABLE AND JUST NEED TO HAVE  
10 ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKLISTS, I THINK, THAT PREVENT THAT FROM  
11 HAPPENING.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAD, ON-- 85-A WAS A MOTION WHICH WAS  
14 IMPLEMENTING THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATIONS. AND I  
15 HAD ADDED TWO AMENDMENTS: ONE, WE MAKE IT A 30-DAY REPORT BACK  
16 OF THE AUDITOR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD; AND, SECOND, THAT  
17 THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES  
18 DETERMINE IF THERE ARE ANY IMPROPRIETIES BASED ON THE AUDITOR-  
19 CONTROLLER'S REVIEW AND REPORT BACK ON THAT IN 30 DAYS AS AN  
20 AMENDMENT. ANY QUESTIONS ON...

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. JUST A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION. I MEAN, I GUESS  
23 THE CONCERN I HAVE, YOU CAN ESTABLISH ALL THE TRAINING YOU  
24 WANT BUT I THINK THE PROTOCOLS, I MEAN, DEFINITIVE TIMES WHERE  
25 IT'S, YOU KNOW, EVERYBODY IS SORT OF WORKING ON THE SAME CLOCK





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1 I THINK IS REALLY IMPORTANT, I MEAN. BECAUSE WHAT BOTHERS ME  
2 IS YOUR COMMENT ABOUT WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY, BIMONTHLY, WHATEVER IT  
3 MAY BE, AND THAT PORTION MAY NOT BE STRUCTURED YET AND THAT'S  
4 PROBABLY AS IMPORTANT AS THE TRAINING. I MEAN, IF THERE'S A  
5 TIME CERTAIN THAT THIS IS TO BE DONE AND CONSISTENT  
6 THROUGHOUT, YOU KNOW, ALL THE INSTITUTIONS SO...

7

8 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** AND I AGREE WITH YOU AND IT MAY BE MORE  
9 CONSISTENT THAN THAT. I JUST-- WE HAD ASKED THAT EACH OF THE  
10 MEDICAL DIRECTORS BRING FORWARD WHAT THEY ARE DOING EXACTLY  
11 AND WE'VE REVIEWED THAT. NOW WE'RE GOING BACK OUT WITH SOME  
12 CONSENSUS BUILDING IN TERMS OF WHAT THEY THINK WILL WORK THE  
13 BEST BUT I AGREE WITH YOU, WE NEED A STANDARDIZED PROCESS THAT  
14 EVERYONE IS FOLLOWING AND WE MAY BE A LITTLE FARTHER ALONG IN  
15 THAT. I'VE JUST NOT BEEN ABLE TO REVIEW THOSE DOCUMENTS IN THE  
16 LAST COUPLE WEEKS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. DR. CLAVREUL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO DO 85-A, TOO.

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24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. FIRST OF ALL,  
25 I WANTED TO COMPLIMENT YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, TO HAVE



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1 ALLOWED ME TO LISTEN TO THE REPORT BEFORE I MADE MY COMMENTS,  
2 WHICH I THINK WOULD BE OF MORE VALUE. IT'S OBVIOUS, AS USUAL,  
3 DR. GARTHWAITE PRESENTS US WITH A NON-REPORT. HE DOESN'T KNOW  
4 IF IT'S TWO WEEKS, THREE WEEKS, YOU KNOW, ONE MONTH, WHATEVER.  
5 AND, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE POINTED, IT'S A LOT OF MISSING FACTS  
6 IN THAT PRESENTATION. YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG WE'RE  
7 GOING TO ACCEPT THE NON-PERFORMANCE OF DR. GARTHWAITE. IF  
8 MANAGEMENT AT THE TOP IS NOT SHOWING THE EXAMPLE, NOBODY  
9 WORKING FOR THEM IS GOING TO DO THE RIGHT THING, EITHER. I  
10 MEAN, WE ARE HAVING ACUTE, YOU KNOW, PROBLEMS AT KING DREW AND  
11 I AM CONVINCED THAT THEY ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE  
12 PERFORMANCE OF DR. GARTHWAITE. AND, YOU KNOW, IT'S ONE THING I  
13 HAVE BEEN ASKING CONSISTENTLY WAS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE FROM  
14 THE NAVIGANT TEAM. HOW MANY OF THEM ARE THERE WORKING, THE  
15 HOURS THEY ARE WORKING AND I KNOW SOME OF YOU ASKED FOR THAT  
16 INFORMATION A COUPLE OF TIMES AND WE STILL HAVE NOT SEEN ANY  
17 OF THEM. I THINK, YOU KNOW, AT THE END OF THE CONTRACT, WE'RE  
18 GOING TO PAY NOT 14 MILLION BUT 18 MILLION. I THINK THE PUBLIC  
19 HAS THE RIGHT TO KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE ACTUALLY WORKED  
20 THERE AND ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PEOPLE AT KING DREW. THANK YOU  
21 FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** THIS ITEM IS JUST A RECEIVE AND FILE.



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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 80 IS A RECEIVE AND FILE. THEN ON 85-A, WHICH  
3 WAS RELATED TO IMPLEMENTING THE AUDITOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS,  
4 MOVED, SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED AS  
5 AMENDED. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER  
8 83, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST  
9 EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED FORMATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
10 FLORENCE AVENUE PROPERTY AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND  
11 THE LEVY OF A SPECIAL PROPERTY BENEFIT ASSESSMENT IN THE  
12 PROPOSED DISTRICT. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO  
13 ADOPT THE RESOLUTION FOR THE FORMATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF  
14 THE FLORENCE AVENUE PROPERTY AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
15 AND TO LEVY A SPECIAL PROPERTY BENEFIT ASSESSMENT IN THE  
16 PROPOSED DISTRICT AND I SO MOVE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
19 SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** ITEM 41. [ SCATTERED APPLAUSE ]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. DO  
24 YOU WANT DR. SOUTHARD OR DR. SANDERS?

25



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1   **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK-- DR. SOUTHARD, I THINK, IS GOING TO HAVE  
2   TO BE THE ONE TO RESPOND TO THIS.

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I THOUGHT 41 WAS GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION  
5   AND THEN WAS GOING TO BE CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

6

7   **SUP. BURKE:** OH, IS IT? OKAY. WELL, SOMEONE WANTED TO SPEAK.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH, SOMEBODY WANTED TO SPEAK ON 41?

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11   **SUP. BURKE:** I DON'T KNOW, DO YOU HAVE A NAME?

12

13   **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAVE NOBODY SIGNED UP.

16

17   **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. THEN IT JUST GOES TO...

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE  
20   SESSION.

21

22   **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. I HAVE NOTHING FURTHER.

23

24   **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE. OR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

25



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1   **SUP. BURKE:** OH. I DIDN'T DO MY ADJOURNMENTS.

2

3   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

4

5   **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
6 THE MEMORY OF BROCK PETERS. HE PASSED AWAY AUGUST 23RD AT HIS  
7 HOME IN LOS ANGELES AT THE AGE OF 78 AFTER BATTLING PANCREATIC  
8 CANCER SINCE JANUARY. HE WAS PERHAPS BEST KNOWN FOR  
9 PERFORMANCE IN THE 1962 FILM, "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD," AND HE  
10 WAS-- THIS WAS A MOVIE WITH GREGORY PECK AND HIS ROLE WAS  
11 ATTICUS FINCH. HIS LONG FILM CAREER BEGAN IN THE '50S. THEY  
12 INCLUDE CARMEN JONES. HE HAD ROLES IN "L-SHAPED ROOM," "PAWN  
13 BROKER." IN RECENT YEARS, HE PLAYED ADMIRAL CARTWRIGHT IN THE  
14 TWO "STAR TREK" FEATURE FILMS. HE ALSO APPEARED IN NUMEROUS  
15 T.V. SHOWS AND HIS DISTINCTIVE DEEP, BASS VOICE WAS OFTEN USED  
16 FOR ANIMATED CHARACTERS. HIS ACCOLADES INCLUDE A NATIONAL FILM  
17 SOCIETY AWARD, A LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE SCREEN ACTORS  
18 GUILD, A TONY AWARD NOMINATION FOR HIS PERFORMANCES ON  
19 BROADWAY AND "LOST IN THE STARS." HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS  
20 MEMORY, HIS LONG-TIME COMPANION, MARILYN DARBY AND HIS  
21 DAUGHTER, LISE JO PETERS. AND, FORTUNATELY, I DID HAVE AN  
22 OPPORTUNITY TO GET A MESSAGE TO HIM AT HIS HOME PRIOR TO HIS  
23 PASSING AWAY. AND CATHERINE CUNNINGHAM, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT  
24 OF THE SECOND DISTRICT, WHO LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER  
25 ADOPTIVE DAUGHTER, SHAREE HOLLIS, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE INTERNAL



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1 SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND SHE LEAVES SEVEN BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
2 WHO RESIDE IN PHILADELPHIA. AND LUELLA KIRKLAND METOYER, WHO  
3 PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 22ND AT THE AGE OF 81. SHE WAS A LONG-  
4 TIME RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE LEAVES TO  
5 CHERISH HER MEMORY HER CHILDREN: DARRYL, LISA AND KIM METOYER  
6 AND HER BELOVED GRANDDAUGHTER, MELISSA MARTINEZ, WHO IS  
7 JOSIE'S DAUGHTER IN OUR OFFICE.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO BE ADDED TO BROCK  
13 PETERS' ADJOURNING MOTION. I KNEW BROCK SOMEWHAT WELL. WE  
14 PARTICIPATED IN A NUMBER OF CHARITABLE EVENTS TOGETHER. HE WAS  
15 A VERY HUMBLE MAN AND YOU WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT HIS  
16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS WERE BY JUST TALKING TO HIM. HE WAS A REAL  
17 HUMAN BEING AND I ALSO WANT TO JOIN MRS. BURKE IN SENDING MY  
18 CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY. A VERY SAD PASSING. I ALSO WANT TO  
19 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BERNARD M. SHAPIRO, A  
20 LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, BUSINESS MAN  
21 AND PHILANTHROPIST, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89. HE WAS  
22 BEST KNOWN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR HAVING FOUNDED THE EL  
23 CABALLERO COUNTRY CLUB IN TARZANA AS AN INCLUSIVE GENERAL  
24 MEMBERSHIP COUNTRY CLUB AFTER BEING TURNED AWAY FROM JOINING  
25 OTHER COUNTRY CLUBS IN MY DISTRICT, WHO SHALL REMAIN NAMELESS.



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1 I GUESS WE'VE COME BEYOND THAT POINT. BECAUSE HE WAS JEWISH.  
2 JOINING HIM IN THAT VENTURE WERE SUPERMARKET FOUNDER EUGENE  
3 GELSON AND OTHER FRIENDS WHO SHARED HIS GOALS. HIS  
4 PHILANTHROPY BEGAN IN 1947 AFTER HE RETIRED FROM A SUCCESSFUL  
5 LOS ANGELES-BASED VENDING MACHINE AND FOOD PROCESSING BUSINESS  
6 THAT HE HAD FOUNDED. AMONG HIS MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, HE HELPED  
7 TO FOUND THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY  
8 AND SERVED ON THE BOARDS OF MANY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS. HE'S  
9 SURVIVED BY HIS FAMILY AND-- FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS.  
10 ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DAHLIA RAVIKOVITCH,  
11 WIDELY CONSIDERED AMONG THE GREATEST HEBREW POETS OF HER  
12 GENERATION WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 68. SHE WAS  
13 THE AUTHOR OF NINE BOOKS OF POETRY, THREE BOOKS OF SHORT  
14 STORIES AND FIVE CHILDREN'S BOOKS. TWO WORKS OF POETRY, "DRESS  
15 OF FIRE" AND "THE WINDOW," HAVE BEEN TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH.  
16 SHE TRANSLATED CHILDREN'S LITERATURE AS WELL AS POETRY OF  
17 WILLIAM BUTLER YATES AND T.S. ELLIOTT INTO HEBREW. I HAD  
18 ENOUGH TROUBLE UNDERSTANDING IT IN ENGLISH. SHE IS THE  
19 RECIPIENT OF THE BIALIK PRIZE IN 1987 AND THE ISRAEL PRIZE IN  
20 1998, TWO OF THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS GIVEN IN ISRAEL FOR  
21 LITERATURE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON, NEPHEW AND OTHER  
22 FAMILY MEMBERS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I WOULD-- I THINK THE ONLY MATTER  
2   I'M HOLDING IS THE SANITATION DISTRICT ITEM AND MY CHIEF OF  
3   STAFF IS TRYING TO GET A RETURN CALL FROM THE CHIEF ENGINEER  
4   OF THE SANITATION DISTRICT AND, FOR SOME REASON, THAT ISN'T  
5   HAPPENING. SO WE'RE GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, MR.  
6   CHAIRMAN, AFTER THIS. I WOULD ASK THAT WE HOLD IT ON THE  
7   TABLE, GIVE MY CHIEF OF STAFF AN OPPORTUNITY TO RESOLVE THE  
8   ISSUES WITH MR. STAHL AND THEN, ASSUMING IT GETS RESOLVED, WE  
9   COULD COME BACK AFTER THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND JUST VOTE ON  
10  IT.

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12  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WE'LL HOLD 67.

13

14  **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOLD IT, YEAH, BECAUSE TODAY IS THE DEADLINE  
15  DATE. ALL RIGHT.

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17  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR-- 77 IS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION AS  
18  WELL. OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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20  **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. A  
21  NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, I MOVE TODAY THAT WE  
22  ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CATHY VINATIERI. CATHY AND HER HUSBAND,  
23  NORBERT, ARE LONG-TIME FRIENDS. SHE PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 19TH  
24  AT THE PRESBYTERIAN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN WHITTIER. SHE LEAVES  
25  HER HUSBAND OF 59 YEARS, NORBERT, THEIR LOVING SONS AND



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1 SPOUSES, JOSEPH AND SANDRA, GARY AND NIKKI, TED AND GENEAN,  
2 AND 10 GRANDCHILDREN. SHE GRADUATED FROM LOS ANGELES HIGH  
3 SCHOOL AND ATTENDED U.S.C. DURING THE WAR. SHE MET NORBERT  
4 WHEN HE WAS A UNITED STATES NAVY LIEUTENANT AT A HOLLYWOOD  
5 U.S.O. DANCE IN 1944. THEY WERE MARRIED IN 1946 AND  
6 ESTABLISHED RESIDENCE IN LOS ANGELES AND THEN MOVED TO  
7 WHITTIER IN 1950. SHE WAS AN INCREDIBLE COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER  
8 AND WAS ALWAYS A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE P.T.A., WHERE SHE WAS  
9 AN HONORARY LIFE RECIPIENT. SHE WAS A 50-YEAR MEMBER OF THE  
10 PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, SHE WAS A PAST PRESIDENT OF  
11 WHITTIER REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S AND A MEMBER OF THE ASSISTANCE  
12 LEAGUE AND NUMEROUS WHITTIER CIVIC GROUPS. CATHY WAS A DEAR  
13 FRIEND AND WILL BE MISSED. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
14 BENJAMIN FOSTER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82. HE WAS MARRIED  
15 TO HELEN AND THEY MOVED TO CALIFORNIA IN 1959, WHERE THEY  
16 OWNED THEIR OWN BUSINESS IN SAN JOSE FOR SOME 30 YEARS. HE  
17 SERVED IN WORLD WAR II, FIRST MARINE DIVISION. HE'S SURVIVED  
18 BY HIS WIFE, HELEN, THREE CHILDREN, BOB, DENNIS AND DIANA, SIX  
19 GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE  
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRANK GILBERMAN. FRANK PASSED AWAY ON  
21 JULY 30TH AFTER A LENGTHY BATTLE WITH CANCER. HE WAS 67. HE  
22 WAS A MAINSTAY OUT IN MARINA DEL REY AND AN ABSOLUTE SUPPORTER  
23 OF MANY OF THE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS AND  
24 HELD JUST ABOUT EVERY POST YOU COULD THINK OF IN THE MARINA.  
25 HE WAS COMMODORE OF THE CALIFORNIA YACHT CLUB, HE CHAIRED THE



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1 ANNUAL MARINA DEL REY IN THE WATER BOAT SHOW, HE HEADED  
2 SEVERAL INTERNATIONAL TOURS A YEAR, HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF  
3 THE FORMER DEL REY CHAMBER AND THE WESTCHESTER-LAX MARINA  
4 CHAMBER. HE ALSO SERVED AS PAST CHAIR OF THE MARINA DEL REY  
5 SHERIFF'S STATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, LOS ANGELES POLICE  
6 DEPARTMENT, BOOSTER CLUB. HE'S GOING TO BE MISSED BY ALL OF  
7 HIS FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS IN THE MARINA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN  
8 IN MEMORY OF BEVERLY ZAMBONI, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 79  
9 AFTER A YEAR-LONG BATTLE WITH STOMACH CANCER. SHE WAS THE  
10 DAUGHTER OF THE LATE CITY OF PARAMOUNT MAYOR, LEWIS SPANE,  
11 LIFELONG RESIDENT OF THE CITY WHO MARRIED BOB WILEY IN 1944.  
12 BEVERLY WAS KNOWN FOR HER BEAUTIFUL SINGING VOICE BUT SHE  
13 REALLY NEVER SANG BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE CHURCH AND SHE WAS  
14 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 32 YEARS, BOB, DAUGHTERS NANCY AND  
15 SUSAN, SONS, MARK AND LEWIS AND WILEY, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND  
16 ONE GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
17 JOHN CARY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
18 HIS LOVING WIFE, BARBARA, BROTHER, WAYNE, SON, STEVE, RICHARD,  
19 AND TOM, LEE AND DAUGHTER, LISA, NINE GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR  
20 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES  
21 ROBERT CONCHELOS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 22ND, A LONG-TIME  
22 RESIDENT OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT, MOVED TO NORWALK. HE WAS A  
23 GRADUATE AT WHITTIER UNION HIGH SCHOOL AND CAL-POLY POMONA. HE  
24 IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, MARK, DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, STACEY,  
25 GRANDSONS, ANTHONY AND ANDREW.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** I'VE GOT A FEW MORE, UNFORTUNATELY.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GEORGE WALTERS, SR.,  
9 FORMER LONG BEACH PORT WORKER WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
10 53. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE-- HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS EX-  
11 WIFE, CECILE, HIS PARENTS, BERNALE AND DIANNA, HIS FOUR  
12 CHILDREN, ERIKA, LEELAND, ERIN AND RANDY, TWO GRANDCHILDREN.  
13 HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL OF HIS FRIENDS AND FAMILY. ALSO THAT  
14 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NEIL FITZGERALD, WHO PASSED AWAY AT  
15 THE AGE OF 89. FITZGERALD WORKED FOR MORE THAN 65 YEARS AT THE  
16 COMPANY WHERE HE ALSO OVERSAW PROPERTIES IN CERRITOS, ARTESIA  
17 LONG BEACH AND BELLFLOWER. AMONG THOSE PROPERTIES HE OVERSAW  
18 WAS THE DUTCH VILLAGE IN LAKEWOOD. HE RETURNED TO CALIFORNIA  
19 TO WORK WITH THE IBBETSONS UNION DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AND WAS A  
20 PARTNER IN THAT FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. AND, AS I SAID, WORKED  
21 FOR THEM FOR 65 YEARS. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE WITH THE PARAMOUNT  
22 ROTARY, THE LAKEWOOD ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION, THE ELK'S LODGE.  
23 HE SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIPS AT ST. BERNARD, ST. BOSCO, AND ST.  
24 JOSEPH'S HIGH SCHOOL. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ANN, SON,  
25 DAVID, DAUGHTER, PATRICIA, GRANDCHILDREN, AMY KELLY, ANDY AND



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1 KATIE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SYDNEY PATTISON, A  
2 MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT FOR 50 YEARS. HE WAS A DENTIST IN  
3 REDONDO BEACH FOR OVER 40, A MEMBER OF THE PALOS VERDES  
4 COUNTRY CLUB FOR 50 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ETHEL  
5 OF 52 YEARS AND DAUGHTER, LEVALLEY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
6 MEMORY OF MARY ROTHFELD, WHO IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND,  
7 BRYANT, TWO SONS, BRAD AND BRYANT, AND GRANDCHILD, KYLEE. ALSO  
8 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TRUDY SMART, ANOTHER MANHATTAN  
9 BEACH RESIDENT. SHE WAS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MANHATTAN  
10 BEACH CHAMBER FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS, VERY INVOLVED IN  
11 SOROPTIMIST, PAST PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN OF THE FRIENDS OF THE  
12 LIBRARY AND MEMBER OF THE COORDINATING COUNSEL, SISTER CITY  
13 COMMITTEE, AND PROPERTY OWNERS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
14 HUSBAND, ED, TWO DAUGHTERS, LYNN, CHERYL, AND A SON, ALAN.  
15 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A READ-IN MOTION. I'D ASK MR.  
20 FORTNER, THIS IS A REPORT BACK, IF-- I HAVE THIS MOTION, IF I  
21 COULD READ IT IN TODAY FOR A REPORT BACK.

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23 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR  
24 MOTION CAN BE BROUGHT IN TODAY.

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1   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2005, THE  
2   CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION VOTED TO ENACT AN  
3   OVERLAY OF THE 310 AREA CODE WITH A NEW 424 AREA CODE. THIS  
4   DECISION WAS BASED ON SIGNIFICANTLY OUTDATED INFORMATION AND  
5   SHOULD NOT HAVE OCCURRED WITHOUT A CURRENT TELEPHONE  
6   UTILIZATION STUDY BEING PERFORMED. BECAUSE IT APPEARS THE  
7   P.U.C.'S DECISION IS INCONSISTENT WITH CALIFORNIA LAW AND  
8   POSES SERIOUS CONCERNS ON THE IMPACT TO THE RESIDENTS AND  
9   BUSINESS OWNERS LIVING WITHIN THE 310 AREA CODE, THE BOARD OF  
10   SUPERVISORS SHOULD REVIEW THE IMPACT OF THE P.U.C. ACTION AND  
11   EVALUATE OUR OPTIONS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF  
12   SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.A.O. AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO  
13   INVESTIGATE AND REPORT BACK WITHIN 14 DAYS AND COURSES OF  
14   ACTION INCLUDING POSSIBLE LITIGATION AVAILABLE TO THIS BOARD  
15   TO RESPOND TO THE CALIFORNIA P.U.C.'S VOTE TO CREATE AN  
16   OVERLAY OF THE 310 AREA CODE.

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18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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20   **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S ALL MY SPECIALS. I'M NOT HOLDING ANYTHING.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO-- MR. FORTNER, I'D LIKE TO  
23   BRING IN A MOTION TODAY AND WE'VE DONE THIS COMPARABLE BUT, AS  
24   WE ALL KNOW, MANY OF OUR EMPLOYEES AND MANY OF OUR COUNTY'S  
25   FAMILIES HAVE BEEN SEVERELY IMPACTED IN THE DEVASTATION IN



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1 LOUISIANA, MISSISSIPPI AND ALABAMA FROM THE HURRICANE. THIS  
2 MORNING, THE SALVATION ARMY IS PROVIDING 450,000 BREAKFASTS  
3 AND THAT'S GOING TO GO INTO DINNERS AND LUNCHES AND IT'S GOING  
4 TO BE FOR MORE THAN ONE DAY. THERE'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM. I  
5 WOULD LIKE TO DO WHAT WE HAD DONE FOR THE TSUNAMI, WHERE WE  
6 COULD ENCOURAGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO GIVE DONATIONS TO THE  
7 SALVATION ARMY FOR THE FOOD THAT'S BEING DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE  
8 VICTIMS AND I BELIEVE IT WENT THROUGH THE-- MR. JANSSEN'S  
9 OFFICE AT THE C.A.O., SO WE COULD HAVE A MOTION ENCOURAGING  
10 THAT AND ALSO IF WE COULD ENCOURAGE ANY DONATION OF CLOTHING,  
11 BECAUSE THESE FAMILIES HAVE LITERALLY HAD EVERYTHING  
12 DESTROYED. ONE OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S SISTER, HER HOME WAS  
13 10 FEET UNDER WATER. EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DESTROYED.  
14 EVERYTHING. AND THAT GOES FOR OTHER FAMILIES AS WELL. SO WE  
15 COULD HAVE MAYBE A COLLECTION OF CLOTHING THAT COULD BE  
16 DISTRIBUTED AS WELL TO THEM. SO I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THAT AS A  
17 MOTION, THAT WE DIRECT THE C.A.O. TO ESTABLISH SUCH A  
18 MECHANISM SO WE CAN GIVE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MONEY AND CLOTHES  
19 AND/OR-- IS THAT APPROPRIATE?

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21 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU CAN PROCEED  
22 WITH THAT.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT. SECONDED BY MR.  
25 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED. I'D LIKE TO MOVE





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1 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ALBERT SPARLIS, WHO WAS A  
2 PERSONAL FRIEND AND SUPPORTER. HE WAS A SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT  
3 OF COLDWELL BANKER REAL ESTATE COMPANY. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
4 COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME, A FORMER MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL  
5 FOOTBALL LEAGUE, PLAYED FOR THE GREEN BAY PACKERS, MEMBER OF  
6 THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE HALL OF FAME, AND A RETIRED  
7 COLONEL AND OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, WHERE HE  
8 WAS A DECORATED WAR HERO WHO FOUGHT IN THREE DIFFERENT WARS  
9 AND HE FLEW OVER 200 COMBAT MISSIONS, RECEIVING THE  
10 DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND OVER 19 CLUSTERS. HE WAS QUITE  
11 INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. ALSO, IN  
12 MEMORY OF JELENA ANA WOHLFAHRT, WHO WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE  
13 CROATIAN COMMUNITY WITH THE CULTURAL EVENTS INSTRUMENTAL IN  
14 MANY-- ALSO AT THE ALTAR SOCIETY AND SHE PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS  
15 ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE CROATIAN CHILDREN'S SCHOOL. CAROL  
16 SCOTT, EDUCATOR AT THE DUNCEMOORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN  
17 GLENDALE, WHERE SHE TAUGHT THIRD THROUGH SIXTH GRADE AND ALSO  
18 WORKED WITH STUDENTS IN THE GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION  
19 PROGRAMS IN 10 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN GLENDALE. SERGEANT JOSEPH  
20 SABAS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 23RD. HE HAD RETIRED IN 1990.  
21 HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS MAJOR CRIMES. AND LIEUTENANT FROM THE  
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, RETIRED TOMMY ROBINSON, WHO ALSO PASSED  
23 AWAY ON AUGUST 13TH. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS ADMINISTRATIVE  
24 SERVICES. SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE  
25 HAD A REPORT FROM RAY FORTNER ON ITEM NUMBER 81. ONE PERSON



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1 WANTS TO SPEAK ON THAT AS WELL BUT WE'LL HEAR THE REPORT  
2 FIRST.

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4 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
5 IN THE RECENT MONTHS, YOUR BOARD HAS ASKED A NUMBER OF  
6 QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT INFORMATION CAN BE PROVIDED TO A  
7 PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER WHEN A CALL IS MADE FOR REFERENCE  
8 MATERIAL. AS WE HAVE INDICATED IN THE PAST, THERE IS NO  
9 OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION AT ALL OTHER THAN  
10 CONFIRMING DATES OF EMPLOYMENT AND THAT HAS BEEN THE GENERAL  
11 COUNTY PRACTICE. HAVING SAID THAT, INFORMATION CAN BE  
12 PROVIDED, ON REQUEST, FOR EMPLOYMENT REFERENCES. BUT THE  
13 PARAMETERS REALLY ARE THAT THE INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETE  
14 AND BALANCED. PROVIDING ONLY POSITIVE INFORMATION CAN POSSIBLY  
15 LEAD TO POTENTIAL LIABILITY. PROVIDING ONLY NEGATIVE  
16 INFORMATION CAN DO THE SAME THING, EITHER FROM THE EMPLOYER  
17 WHO RECEIVES ONLY A POSITIVE REPORT AND IT TURNS OUT THERE WAS  
18 NEGATIVE INFORMATION KNOWN TO US THAT WE DID NOT PROVIDE. AND  
19 THE FLIP SIDE OF THAT, OF COURSE, IS PROVIDING NEGATIVE  
20 INFORMATION THAT MIGHT AFFECT FUTURE EMPLOYMENT BY A PERSON  
21 WHEN IT IS, IN FACT, NOT SUBSTANTIATED OR BALANCED BY POSITIVE  
22 REPORTS. AND THOSE ARE THE LIABILITY ISSUES. THERE IS A CIVIL  
23 CODE IMMUNITY FOR-- SPECIFICALLY, FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION IN  
24 AN EMPLOYMENT REFERENCE BUT IT DOES REQUIRE THAT THE  
25 INFORMATION BE BALANCED AND GIVEN WITHOUT MALICE. IN THAT



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1 CONTEXT SPECIFICALLY, WE CAN INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT A  
2 PARTICULAR EMPLOYEE WOULD BE REHIRED OR NOT. SO WE WOULD  
3 RECOMMEND THAT, IF WE WERE TO CHANGE OUR PRACTICE AND PROVIDE  
4 FURTHER INFORMATION OTHER THAN CONFIRMING DATES OF EMPLOYMENT,  
5 THAT AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS BE CREATED WITHIN THE  
6 DEPARTMENT AND, IN THIS CASE, THE SPECIFIC ISSUE REVOLVES  
7 AROUND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE NUMBERS OF  
8 PHYSICIANS THAT WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT LATELY. WE THINK  
9 THAT, TO HAVE A PROCESS WHERE ONE INDIVIDUAL OR A CENTRALIZED  
10 LOCATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT COLLECTS THE INFORMATION AND  
11 PROVIDES THE INFORMATION, THAT WAY, IT WILL BE UNIFORM AND  
12 CONSISTENT AND THERE CAN BE SOME ASSURANCE THAT IT WILL, IN  
13 FACT, MEET THE LEGAL TESTS AND REDUCE OUR RISK OF LIABILITY,  
14 EITHER TO THE PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER OR TO THE FORMER EMPLOYEE  
15 OR TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

16  
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WAS AT THE L.A. COUNTY BAR LUNCHEON THIS  
18 PAST WEEK AT THE BILTMORE. RESIDENT OF COUNTY BAR INDICATED  
19 THAT SHE WAS VERY SUPPORTIVE THAT WE GET TOUGH, BECAUSE SHE  
20 SAID YOU ALSO HAVE A PROBLEM IF YOU DON'T, THERE ARE CASES  
21 WHERE YOU COULD BE SUED IF YOU DIDN'T GIVE SUCH A  
22 RECOMMENDATION. AND SHE WAS VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THESE EFFORTS  
23 TO TIGHTEN UP ON RECOMMENDATIONS, BECAUSE YOU DO HAVE A  
24 RESPONSIBILITY. I MEAN, YOU LEAVE YOURSELF OPEN FOR LIABILITY  
25 IF YOU DON'T. BUT THE QUESTION: WHAT ARE THE RAMIFICATIONS IF



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1 THE BOARD DECIDES TO AMEND THE EXISTING CIVIL SERVICE RULES TO  
2 AUTHORIZE REFUSAL OF AN EMPLOYEE'S RESIGNATION WHEN THE  
3 EMPLOYEE'S DISCHARGE IS BEING CONSIDERED OR IN THE PROCESS?

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5 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WELL, THERE ARE-- THERE ARE SORT OF  
6 TWO AREAS OF RAMIFICATION. ONE IS A PRACTICAL ONE. IT IS EVEN,  
7 IF OUR RULES WERE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT THE RESIGNATION MUST  
8 BE ACCEPTED TO BE EFFECTIVE, AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, IT WOULD  
9 BE DIFFICULT TO DISCIPLINE A PERSON WHO ANNOUNCES THAT HE OR  
10 SHE HAS RESIGNED AND PERHAPS HAS APPLIED FOR RETIREMENT OR  
11 MOVED ON. IT IS, AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, CARRYING ON A SKELLY  
12 HEARING AND THEN TRYING TO TAKE DISCIPLINARY ACTION OVER  
13 SOMEONE WHO IS NO LONGER REPORTING. IT PRESENTS A DIFFICULT  
14 SITUATION. THE OTHER ISSUE IS IF YOUR HAVE AN AUTOMATIC  
15 PRACTICE OR POLICY IN THAT REGARD. DEPENDING ON CIRCUMSTANCES,  
16 YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THAT RESIGNATION EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY  
17 UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE CHANGES HIS OR HER MIND IN A SITUATION  
18 WHERE HAVING THEM OUT OF SERVICE IS THE PRIMARY GOAL OR OF  
19 PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE, ENDING THEIR PERIOD OF SERVICE, AND THEN  
20 WE CAN DEAL WITH ANY LEGAL LIABILITIES AFTER THAT. BUT  
21 PROVIDING FOR A CIRCUMSTANCE WHERE THEY MUST BE ACCEPTED IS A  
22 PRACTICE THAT COULD BE ESTABLISHED. IT IS NOT THE CURRENT  
23 PRACTICE THAT IS EMBODIED IN THE CIVIL SERVICE RULE.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF A PHYSICIAN IS DISRUPTIVE AND POTENTIALLY  
2   HARM IN A CLINICAL SETTING, WOULDN'T THIS BE ENOUGH TO, LET'S  
3   SAY, TO HAVE THAT INDIVIDUAL REMOVED?

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5   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WELL, DEPENDING ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES  
6   AND WHAT THE EMPLOYEE WAS DOING. ANY DISRUPTIVE EMPLOYEE IS  
7   SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE AND THE EXTENT OF THAT DISCIPLINE,  
8   WHETHER IT'S FROM REPRIMAND TO SUSPENSION TO DISCHARGE, WOULD  
9   DEPEND ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

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11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF A POLICY IS ESTABLISHED TO GIVE  
12   INFORMATION TO NEW EMPLOYERS ABOUT FORMER DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES  
13   WHO HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED OR RESIGNED, HOW LONG WOULD IT TAKE  
14   TO CREATE SUCH AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS?

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16   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** I CAN'T SPECULATE AS TO THE TIME IT  
17   WOULD TAKE TO DISCUSS IT WITH THE UNIONS IF-- SUCH A RULE  
18   COULD BE ESTABLISHED WITH RESPECT TO UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES  
19   IMMEDIATELY. HAVING TWO DIFFERENT RULES FOR TWO  
20   CLASSIFICATIONS OF EMPLOYEES IS PERHAPS NOT THE BEST BUT IT  
21   WOULD BE POSSIBLE, BUT COMING UP WITH THE PROCESS WOULD TAKE,  
22   WOULD THINK, 90 TO 120 DAYS. THE INTERNAL PROCESS ITSELF WOULD  
23   NOT BE DIFFICULT TO ESTABLISH.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW OFTEN ARE YOU AWARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
2   HEALTH'S REPORTING CONCERNS ABOUT CLINICAL COMPETENCY, PATIENT  
3   SAFETY OR DELIVERY OF PATIENT CARE TO STATE LICENSING OR OTHER  
4   REGULATORY AGENCIES?

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6   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WE HAVE BEEN MEETING WITH THE  
7   DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS ON THAT VERY  
8   TOPIC AND HAVE SEEN THAT THERE HAS NOT BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF  
9   REPORTING TO THE STATE AUTHORITIES UNDER ANY OF OUR STATUTORY  
10   EITHER OBLIGATIONS OR ABILITIES TO DO SO AND WE HAVE-- ARE  
11   WORKING WITH THEM TO MAKE SURE THAT, WHEREVER IT'S  
12   APPROPRIATE, EITHER A MANDATED REPORT OR A DISCRETIONARY  
13   REPORT IS SENT TO THE STATE.

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15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE, AT KING DREW, 11 OF THE 23 PHYSICIAN  
16   CASES WERE NOT REPORTED TO ANY LICENSING OR REGULATORY AGENCY.

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18   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THE MAJORITY OF THOSE, AS I  
19   UNDERSTAND IT, DO NOT INVOLVE CLINICAL OR COMPETENT-- MEDICAL  
20   COMPETENCY ISSUES BUT, RATHER, MEDICAL-- THE ETHICS OR  
21   PROFESSIONALISM IN PROVIDING SERVICES SUCH AS TIMECARD  
22   MATTERS. THERE ARE SOME REPORTING REQUIREMENTS THAT WE HAVE  
23   DETERMINED CAN BE MADE IN WORKING WITH HEALTH SERVICES AND ARE  
24   GOING TO ENSURE THAT THOSE REPORTS ARE SENT IN.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT ETHICS OR MEANS OF TREATING A PATIENT  
2   ALSO IMPACTS A PATIENT'S ABILITY TO RECOVER FROM A INJURY.

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4   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** WELL, IN A GIVEN CIRCUMSTANCE, IF A  
5   PHYSICIAN WERE TO REPORT THAT HE OR SHE WAS ON SITE AND WAS  
6   PAID FOR TIME AND TREATED A PATIENT AND, IN FACT, WAS NOT  
7   THERE, THAT WOULD GIVE RISE TO QUESTIONS OF CLINICAL  
8   COMPETENCY AS OPPOSED TO MERE, "MERE", I SAY, TIMECARD FRAUD.  
9   BUT WE NEED TO LOOK AT EACH ONE OF THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES AND  
10   WILL REPORT. THE MEDICAL COMPETENCY ISSUES ARE THE MANDATED  
11   REPORTS UNDER SECTION 805 AND WE WOULD PROCEED WITH THOSE. THE  
12   OTHERS WOULD DEPEND ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

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14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE THING THAT I DIDN'T REALIZE, I DON'T KNOW  
15   IF THE OTHER MEMBERS HAVE KNOWN THIS, BUT CIVIL SERVICE  
16   COMMISSIONS WILL NEVER GET INVOLVED IN A CASE WHERE THE  
17   EMPLOYEE IS DISCIPLINED FOR LESS THAN SIX DAYS. IT STATES THAT  
18   ONLY CASES WHERE THE DISCIPLINE IS SIX DAYS OR MORE OR  
19   DISCRIMINATION IS INVOLVED DOES THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
20   GET INVOLVED. SO A LOT OF THE FRACTIONS DON'T REACH CIVIL  
21   SERVICE. IT'S BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE EMPLOYEE.

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23   **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** THAT'S CORRECT. A SUSPENSION OF FIVE  
24   DAYS OR LESS OR ANY LESSER DISCIPLINE IS NOT REVIEWABLE BY THE  
25   COMMISSION UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE ALLEGES THAT THERE HAS BEEN





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1    CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED INTEREST INVOLVED, SUCH AS RACE OR  
2    CREED OR GENDER.

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4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON YOUR REPORT, I'D JUST LIKE TO MOVE THAT  
5    THE BOARD DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL TO WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH  
6    THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN  
7    RESOURCES AND REPORT BACK IN 45 DAYS DISCUSSING WITH THE  
8    C.A.O. EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNITS  
9    ABOUT POTENTIAL OF AMENDING EXISTING COUNTY RULES AFFECTING  
10    EMPLOYEE WORKING CONDITIONS IN THE EVENT AN EMPLOYEE DECIDES  
11    TO RESIGN WHEN THE EMPLOYEE'S DISCHARGE IS BEING CONSIDERED OR  
12    PROCESSED FOR ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. THIS INCLUDES CHANGES IN  
13    COUNTY RULES FOR NONREPRESENTED POSITIONS AND DEVELOPING A  
14    IMPLEMENTATION TIME WITH TIMELESSNESS ON THE CREATION OF AN  
15    ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT A FORMER  
16    COUNTY EMPLOYEE WHO HAS BEEN DISCHARGED OR HAS RESIGNED IN  
17    LIEU OF DISCHARGE OR RESPONSE TO REQUESTS OF A PROSPECTIVE  
18    EMPLOYER, ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE REPORTS ARE MADE AND THAT  
19    THE MEDICAL DIRECTORS AT ALL COUNTY HOSPITALS ARE AWARE OF  
20    THOSE RULES GOVERNING MANDATORY DISCRETIONARY REPORTING AND  
21    IMPLEMENT STEPS TO ALLOW THE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFFS TO  
22    CONSIDER RESTRICTING OR REVOKING CLINICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES FOR  
23    ETHICAL BREECHES OR OTHER CAUSES NOT DIRECTLY IMPACTING CARE  
24    OR THE DELIVERY SERVICES. HAVE A REPORT BACK IN 45 DAYS.

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1     **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** I WILL DO IT.

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3     **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANY QUESTIONS? SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.  
4     EXCUSE ME. DR. CLAVREUL.

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6     **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH, I HAVE SOME-- I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, WHILE  
7     SOME OF THIS IS-- I WOULD FEEL COMFORTABLE, I FEEL  
8     UNCOMFORTABLE WITH SOME OF THE LANGUAGE IN THIS AND I WANT IT  
9     TO BE RECORDED THAT I DID NOT-- THAT I ABSTAINED FROM VOTING  
10    ON THIS. TO HAVE ALL PEOPLE WHO RETIRED, THAT THEY REPORT IT  
11    TO THE STATE BAR IF THERE'S ANY ISSUES...(OFF MIKE)

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13    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE A REPORT BACK.

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15    **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DR.  
16    GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK IT'S KIND OF IMPORTANT THAT-- AND  
17    I APPRECIATE YOUR MOTION, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. A COUPLE OF  
18    YEARS AGO, IT WAS A VERY FAMOUS CASE ABOUT THE 7/11  
19    CORPORATION WERE GIVEN GLORIOUS RECOMMENDATION FOR AN EMPLOYEE  
20    WHO LEFT WHO WAS SUBSEQUENTLY HIRED BY ANOTHER COMPANY AND  
21    COMMITTED THE SAME NEGATIVE ACT AND THEY LOST IN COURT AND HAD  
22    TO BEAR AN ENORMOUS FEE. SO I THINK IT WILL BE GOOD THAT YOUR  
23    COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW THOSE. AND I THINK SOME OF THE PEOPLE  
24    WHO HAVE LEFT HERE AND HAVE NOT BEEN REPORTED TO THE BOARD,  
25    THE MEDICAL BOARD AND SO ON, IS EXTREMELY CONCERNING. I THINK



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1 THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS THAT D.H.S.  
2 SHOULD HAVE DONE. THAT'S PART OF THEIR OBLIGATION AS PROVIDER  
3 OF HEALTH. AND I CANNOT BELIEVE WE ARE SO MANY MONTHS DOWN THE  
4 ROAD. AND I KNOW SOME OF THE NURSING PROBLEM HAVE BEEN  
5 REPORTED TO THE BOARD OF NURSING AND HAVE NOT BEEN REPORTED BY  
6 D.H.S. SO MUCH BUT BY NURSES FROM DIFFERENT STATES WHO ARE SO  
7 CONCERNED ABOUT THE NURSING PRACTICE HERE THAT THEY REPORTED  
8 SOME OF THE BEHAVIOR OF NURSES TO THE BOARD OF NURSING. SO I  
9 THINK IT'S VERY TROUBLESOME THAT, FOR PHYSICIANS, NOBODY HAVE  
10 DONE THAT SO FAR. BUT OF COURSE DR. GARTHWAITE IS A DOCTOR WHO  
11 IS A MEDICAL DIRECTOR WITHOUT A LICENSE IN THE STATE OF  
12 CALIFORNIA AND THAT'S A BIG NO-NO. SO I'M NOT SURPRISED THEY  
13 WOULD NOT REPORT NOTHING TO THE BOARD BECAUSE HE MIGHT HAVE A  
14 RED FLAG FOR HIMSELF. ANYWAY, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. WITH SUPERVISOR BURKE ABSTAINING,  
17 SO ORDERED. WE HAVE EXECUTIVE-- ANY PUBLIC COMMENT? RONE ELLIS  
18 AND EDDIE LEONARD OR LENAL-- IS IT LEMUL OR... OH, RONNIE.  
19 OKAY. WE'LL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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21 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
22 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
23 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-  
24 1, CS-2, CS-3 AND RELATED AGENDA ITEM 41 AND CS-4, CONFERENCES  
25 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION AND AGENDA



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1    ITEM 77, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
2    LITIGATION IN THE MATTER OF DIANE LEE VERSUS THE DEPARTMENT OF  
3    PUBLIC WORKS, ET AL. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
4    ON AUGUST 30, 2005.

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1                   **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,**  
2                                   **TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2005**

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6   The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The  
7   following actions are being reported:

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9   CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL   EXISTING LITIGATION  
10   (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Munique  
11   Williams, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., U.S.  
12   District Court Case No. CV 97-03826-CW; and consolidated  
13   cases, U.S. District Court Case Nos. CV-98-02475-CW; CV-98-  
14   03187-CW; CV-98-09573-CW; CV-98-09574-CW; CV-98-09575-CW; CV-  
15   98-09683-CW; CV-98-09695-CW; and CV-99-00586-CW

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17   These are class action lawsuits involving alleged damages for  
18   overdetention and strip searches of persons in the custody of  
19   the Sheriff s Department.

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21   The Board of Supervisors approved settlement of the litigation  
22   on August 14, 2001, and the U.S. District Court has retained  
23   jurisdiction of administration of the settlement.

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25   ACTION TAKEN:



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1 The Board of Supervisors authorized further terms of  
2 settlement in the above litigation. The substance of the  
3 settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as  
4 soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all  
5 parties.

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7 The vote of the Board was unanimous, with Supervisor Molina  
8 being absent.

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10 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
11 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) David  
12 Wheeler v. David Sanders, etc., et al., Los Angeles Superior  
13 Court Case No. BS 089106

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15 This lawsuit alleges that the County has failed to comply with  
16 Federal and State requirements for assessing the safety of  
17 relative foster care homes.

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19 ACTION TAKEN:

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21 The Board of Supervisors authorized settlement of the above  
22 lawsuit. The substance of the settlement will be disclosed  
23 upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes  
24 final following approval by all parties. The vote of the Board  
25 was unanimous, with Supervisor Molina being absent.



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1 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
2 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Katie A.  
3 etc., et al. v. Diana Bonta, Director of California Department  
4 of Health Services, et al., United States District Court Case  
5 No. CV 02-05662

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7 This is a Federal lawsuit alleging failure to adequately  
8 provide for foster care children. There is no reportable  
9 action.

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11 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
12 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) City and  
13 County of San Francisco, et al. v. Microsoft Corporation,  
14 United States District Court Case No. C-04-4077 FMS

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16 This is a class action lawsuit by the State of California and  
17 each of its local governmental entities (including the County  
18 of Los Angeles) involving alleged antitrust violations by  
19 Microsoft.

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21 ACTION TAKEN:

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23 The Board of Supervisors authorized settlement of the above  
24 lawsuit. The substance of the settlement will be disclosed  
25 upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes





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1 final following approval by all parties and the United States  
2 District Court. The vote of the Board was unanimous, with  
3 Supervisor Molina being absent.

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1    **SUMMARY OF RECONVENED OPEN SESSION, TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2005**

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5    Following closed session, the Board of Supervisors reconvened  
6    in open session at 12:55 p.m. and took the following actions:

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8    Agenda No. 41:

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10    On motion of Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried  
11    (Supervisor Molina being absent), the Board continued Agenda  
12    No. 41 for two weeks to September 13, 2005.

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14    Agenda No. 67:

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16    On motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor  
17    Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being  
18    absent), the Board continued Agenda No. 67 for one week to  
19    September 6, 2005.

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21    Agenda No. 77:

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23    On motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor  
24    Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being  
25    absent), the Board approved Agenda No. 77.



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